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# V O T E S

OF THE HONOURABLE

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

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J A M A I C A,

IN A SESSION

*Begun November 4, 1794, and ended February 28, 1795:*

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*Being the Ninth Session of the present Assembly.*

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OF THE

## ASSEMBLY OF JAMAICA.

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Partis, 4<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

**T**HE assembly being met, according to proclamation, Mr. Roden and Mr. Ellis waited on his honour the lieutenant-governor, and acquainted him therewith.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, in council, by the provost-marshal, commanding, in the king's name, the attendance of the house, in the council-chamber, immediately.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker and the whole house went up; and, being returned,

The following rules were read, and ordered to be the standing rules of the house:

I. *THAT the assembly be supposed not met, except the speaker be present.*

II. *That twenty-one make a quorum to act as if all the members were present, and to proceed to all business.*

III. *That seven be a quorum to meet and adjourn, and to send for absent members.*

IV. *That every member place himself as he comes in, that there may seem no disparity; the speaker always excepted, who must take the chair.*

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V. *That*



V. That such of the assembly as shall be appointed to propose what the house hath to offer to the governor, or to the commander in chief, or to the council, shall not be exempted from going, unless such member has been of the council, or speaker of the assembly.

VI. That the assembly, always at rising, do adjourn from time to time, as they shall see it convenient for the speedy dispatch of affairs; and that none depart the house without the speaker's leave, upon any pretence whatsoever.

VII. That every bill, before it pass, be read three times, with the amendments.

VIII. That no member speak above twice to the same debate, without leave of the house; and that none presume to speak without standing up, and addressing himself to Mr. Speaker.

IX. That such as are appointed of committees be named by the speaker, and approved of by the house.

X. That the speaker and assembly have power to imprison such of their members as shall misbehave themselves, that all may be governed by order and decency.

XI. That the minutes of the house be entered fair in a book apart, and compared every morning; and that the books remain in the hands of the speaker for the time being.

XII. That when any motion is made, and seconded by any member, it shall be put to the vote whether the matter proposed shall be debated.

XIII. That, to prevent any misunderstanding in the house, no person shall be liable to answer for a motion made, or words spoken, in the house, unless it be at the same sitting, and before an adjournment; and that the house receive no information from without doors of words spoken openly in the house.

XIV. That the minutes of the preceding day be read every morning, before the house proceed to any business.

XV. That a resolution being taken on any matter under the consideration of the house, in the house, such resolution shall not be altered during the same session.

XVI. That every member who shall absent himself, without leave of the house or the speaker, be, without further order, taken into custody; and that the speaker shall, and he is empowered and required to, sign warrants for these purposes.

XVII. That all persons who shall be ordered into custody do pay to the sergeant at arms a pistole, and to the clerk half a pistole, for each day such person shall remain in custody; and that all persons who shall, during the continuance of this assembly, be in custody at the time of any future prorogation, shall be taken into custody at the next session; and that the speaker issue his warrant accordingly.

XVIII. That no committee continue sitting after the house is met.

XIX. That any person in custody, or under the censure of the house, be not otherwise admitted than by petition, members of the house excepted.

XX. That

XX. That if any member of this house shall go off this island without leave of the house, if sitting, or without acquainting the speaker with his intention of so doing, in case the house be not sitting, or, having had leave to go off the island, shall not return within the time limited for such leave (unless sufficient cause is shown to the contrary), he shall be expelled.

XXI. That no member of the honourable the council of this island hath any right to interfere in, or give his vote in, the election of any member to serve in this assembly.

XXII. That when the house shall judge any petition, touching elections, to be frivolous and vexatious, the house will order satisfaction to be made to the person petitioned against.

XXIII. That in case it shall appear any person hath procured himself to be elected or returned as a member of this house, or endeavoured so to do, by bribery or any other corrupt practices, this house will proceed with the utmost severity against such person.

XXIV. That if it shall appear any person has been tampering with any witnesses, in respect of their evidences to be given to this house, or any committee thereof, or, directly or indirectly, endeavouring to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanor, and this house will proceed with the utmost severity against such offenders.

XXV. That if it shall appear any persons have given false evidence in any cause before the house, or any committee thereof, this house will proceed with the utmost severity against such offenders.

XXVI. That, in all cases of controverted elections, the petitioners do, by themselves or by their agents, within a convenient time to be appointed by the house, deliver to the sitting members, or their agents, lists of the persons intended by the petitioners to be objected to; who voted for the sitting members; and that the sitting members do, by themselves or their agents, within the same time, deliver the like lists on their parts to the petitioners, or their agents; and that the committee appointed to try such elections take into consideration all such matters as shall or may come in question, touching returns or elections; and the committee are to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, for their information; and if any thing shall come in question touching the return or election of any member, he is to withdraw; and all members returned upon double returns are likewise to withdraw, until their respective returns are determined.

XXVII. That when any thing shall come in question, touching the matter of privilege of any member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate.

XXVIII. That all persons ordered to attend this house, or any committee thereof, are under the protection of this house, in coming, staying, and returning; of which the provost-marshal and all other persons are to take notice.

XXIX. That when the house is going into a committee of the whole house, on motion of any member, and such motion seconded, the doors shall be locked, and the key laid upon the table before the chairman; and if any member presume to go from the committee, without leave, he shall incur the censure of the house.

XXX. That every member of this house enjoy the privileges of his person against arrests and imprisonments, in such manner as hath heretofore been used and accustomed, except in cases of treason, felony, breach of the peace, forcible entries, or forcible detainers.

XXXI. That

XXXI. *That no member of this house hath any privilege in regard to his goods and chattels, except such as are necessary for his accommodation during his attendance on the house.*

XXXII. *That no member of this house hath any privilege against payment of any aids, supplies, or taxes, granted for the support of his majesty's government of this island, or of any parish duties.*

XXXIII. *That the misrepresenting the proceedings of this house is a breach of privilege, and destructive of the freedom of the house.*

XXXIV. *That to assert this house hath no power of commitment, but of their own members, tends to the subversion of the constitution of the house.*

XXXV. *That no person committed for breach of privilege, by order of this house, ought to be discharged during the session of assembly, but by order or warrant of this house.*

XXXVI. *That this house will not agree to any motion for the granting of public money, or a report from a committee recommending the grant of money or a vote of credit, till such motion or report has been made three days.*

XXXVII. *That no bill of a private nature shall take rise in this house in future, but by petition from the party or parties desiring such bill, and after a report made by a committee to be appointed to enquire into the allegations of such petition.*

XXXVIII. *That no money shall in future be granted by this house for any new roads, without a diagram of said roads be laid before the house.*

XXXIX. *That upon motion of any member for names being taken down, on a division of the house, and the same being seconded, the names shall be taken, and entered on the minutes accordingly.*

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter he had received from Mr. Whitehorne, mentioning, that he found it impracticable, consistent with professional duties, to pay that attention to the business of the house which is required; and requesting that the house would vacate his seat:

Ordered, That the seat of the said Mr. Whitehorne be vacated, agreeably to his request.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter he had received from Mr. Tharp, mentioning, that unavoidable events would prevent his returning so early to Jamaica as he originally intended; and requesting that the house would vacate his seat:

Ordered, That the seat of the said Mr. Tharp be vacated, agreeably to his request.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to give directions for issuing a writ to choose a representative for the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, in the room of Samuel Whitehorne, esquire, whose seat the house have vacated; and one other writ to choose a representative for the parish of Trelawny, in the room of Joseph Tharp, esquire, whose seat the house have also vacated."

Ordered,



Ordered, That Mr. Fitch and Mr. Woolfrys be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter he had received from Mr. Edwards, mentioning his having been obliged to leave the island on a particular occasion, and requesting leave of absence for twelve months; also three other letters, from Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Fullerton, and Mr. M'Lean, mentioning, that it would not be in their power to attend the house this session, and entreating the indulgence of the house until their arrival:

Ordered, That they severally have leave of absence for twelve months, in case they shall be so long absent.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter from Mr. Rennally, acquainting him of his being confined with the gout, and requesting leave until he shall be able to attend the house:

Ordered, That he have leave of absence accordingly.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter from Mr. Scott, informing him of his indisposition, and requesting the indulgence of the house for two weeks:

Ordered, That he have leave of absence accordingly.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter from sir Joseph Banks, baronet, in answer to a letter written to him by order of the house; which being read, was ordered to be entered on the journals of the house, and is as follows:

*"Soho-Square, London, March 20, 1794.*

"SIR,

"Allow me to request the favour of you to communicate to the house of assembly of Jamaica, my abundant gratitude for the honour conferred on me by their vote of thanks of the sixth of December. I consider that distinction as a complete recompence for all the pains it has cost me to carry into effect a plan which I have ever believed to be a favourite measure with the inhabitants of the West-Indian islands, and an ample incitement to perseverance in my endeavours to transport to the island of Jamaica all such useful plants, natives of the inter-tropical climates, as may hereafter fall into my hands.

"I beg, sir, that you will also accept my thanks for the very agreeable manner in which you have been pleased to transmit to me the pleasing intelligence.

"I have the honour to be, sir, with the highest deference and respect,

"Your obedient and obliged humble servant,

JOSEPH BANKS.

*"The honourable the speaker of  
the assembly, Jamaica."*

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Mr. Speaker reported, that the house had attended his honour the lieutenant-governor, in

the council-chamber, and that his honour was pleased to make a speech; of which, Mr. Speaker said, he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy; and the same, being read, was ordered to be entered, and is as follows:

“ GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“ I cannot but express the real pleasure I feel at the continued tranquillity that has prevailed throughout the island, which has rendered it unnecessary to call you together at an earlier period.

“ The conquests already gained by his majesty's arms in St. Domingo, I trust, have been of very material advantage to Great-Britain and her colonies; but the dreadful sickness and mortality in the army and navy employed there, has put a stop for a time to farther conquest. I have, however, the assurance of his majesty's minister, that a considerable reinforcement may be expected early in this month, for our own security and to act against the enemy.

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“ I do not know of any unusual expence having been incurred since last session, and I am fully persuaded that you will cheerfully grant such supplies as will be requisite for the exigencies of the island.

“ GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“ It has been my constant endeavour to promote the happiness and prosperity of this country; and I am perfectly convinced of your readiness to co-operate with me, in whatever may tend to attain so desirable an object.”

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare an humble address to his honour the lieutenant-governor, for his speech at the opening of the session;

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. G. G. Barrett, and Mr. Lewis, be a committee for that purpose:

Ordered, That his honour's speech be referred to the said committee.

The following members are appointed a committee of privileges:

Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. White, Mr. Foulks, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Halford, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Murray, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Deans, Mr. Henckell, and Mr. Fuller:

Ordered, That five be a quorum; that they sit Tuesdays and Thursdays, in the house; that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records; and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

The following members are appointed a committee of grievances:

Mr. Batty, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Grant, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Woolfrys, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Thompson, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Galbraith, and Mr. Henckell:

Ordered

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Ordered, That five be a quorum; that they sit Wednesdays and Fridays, in the house; that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records; and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

The following members are appointed a committee for stating and settling the public accounts:

Mr. Murray, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Batty, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Shirley, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Grant, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. Vaughan:

Ordered, That three be a quorum; that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records; and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to inspect into the state and condition of the several public offices of this island;

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Grant, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Woolfrys, and Mr. Fitch, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to inspect into the several courts of justice in this island;

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Batty, Mr. Grant, Mr. Cockburn, and Mr. Rodon, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to enquire what laws are expired, or near expiring, and which of them are proper to be revived, or continued;

Ordered, That Mr. Rodon, Mr. White, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Vaughan, be a committee for that purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. Deans and Mr. Christie, or either of them, be a committee to examine and settle the minutes of the house.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to desire you will be pleased to give directions to the receiver-general to attend the house with the public books of accounts.”

Ordered, That Mr. Lewis and Mr. Cockburn be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

Ordered, That the secretary of this island do send unto the house the several original laws of this island now in his custody.

Ordered, That the clerk appointed by the committee of correspondence do forthwith send unto the house all books, papers, and writings, now in his custody, belonging to the said committee.

Resolved,



Resolved, That this house will, to-morrow morning, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to take into consideration his honour's speech at the opening of this session.

Resolved, That this house will, to-morrow morning, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

Resolved, That this house will not receive any business of a private nature after Friday, the 28th day of November instant:

Ordered, That the above resolution be printed in the several newspapers of this island for three weeks.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker do authorize any person to print the votes of this session, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

And then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Mercurii, 5<sup>o</sup> die Novembrii, 1794.

Papers. **M**R. Chief-Justice, from the committee appointed to prepare an humble address to his honour the lieutenant-governor, in answer to his speech at the opening of the session, reported the same; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read,

Resolved, That the said address be committed to a committee of the whole house, immediately:

Then the house resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Chief-Justice took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Chief-Justice, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the address, and had made three amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said address, with the amendments, be engrossed.

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Mr. Rodon, from the committee appointed to enquire what laws are expired, or near expiring, and which of them are proper to be revived or continued, reported,

That the several laws following are either expired or near expiring, and, in the opinion of the committee, are proper to be revived, or continued.

An act for laying a duty on tonnage, and applying the same to the use of the forts and fortifications; and for regulating the duty of gunpowder payable on tonnage, by virtue of an act entitled, "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof;" and to enable the receiver-general to import and purchase gunpowder under certain regulations:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Henekell, and Mr. Deans, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Campbell, Mr. Shirley, and Mr. Taylor, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island for a limited time:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act for appointing an agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Taylor, Mr. Osborn, and Mr. Delpratt, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

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Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Vaughan, and Mr. G. G. Barrett, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act to empower the justices and vestry of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and assize of bread :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Murray, Mr. Quarrell, and Mr. Christie, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act to explain and regulate proceedings by foreign attachment :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis, Mr. Grant, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act to prohibit the felling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Thompson, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Fuller, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-hill road, at the fig-tree in Olyphant's Lane, in the parish of Clarendon : and for vesting in trustees the toll to be raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Rodon, Mr. Foulks, and Mr. White, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Fuller, and Mr. Henckell, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

An act to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county ; and to allow a bounty on neat cattle imported into this island from England and Ireland :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. White, and Mr. Foulks, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

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An act to regulate the fees of the governor's secretary :

NOTE. *The committee observe, that this is a private bill.*

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Campbell, Mr. Galbraith, and Mr. Rodon, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, to take into consideration his honour's speech at the opening of the session :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Chief-Justice took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Chief-Justice, from the committee, reported four resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table ; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follow :

1<sup>st</sup>. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses :

Ordered, That Mr. Christie, Mr. Vaughan, and Mr. Campbell, be a committee for that purpose.

2<sup>d</sup>. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports, and on offices and houses ; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages ; and applying the same to several uses :

Ordered, That Mr. Murray, Mr. White, and Mr. Quarrell, be a committee for that purpose.

3<sup>d</sup>. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to prepare and bring in a bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses ; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen ; and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections :

Ordered, That Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. G. G. Barrett, be a committee for that purpose.

4<sup>th</sup>. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island ; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices ; and for applying the same to several uses :

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Grant, Mr. Halford, and Mr. Ellis, be a committee for that purpose.

And then Mr. Chief-Justice acquainted the house, the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again :

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to take further into consideration his honour's speech at the opening of the session.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected ;

Ordered, That Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Murray, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. S. Parrett, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Grant, Mr. White, and Mr. Henckell, be a committee for that purpose ; that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the committee appointed to enquire into and report to the house the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected, that a sum not exceeding 15,000*l.* be appropriated towards the completing and improvement of the great and new roads of communication, in the inland parts of the island.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to enquire into what losses have been sustained of late by captures of shipping bound to and near to the coast of this island, and also what losses have been sustained by the drowing and coasting vessels round the island, and what protection has been given by his majesty's ships on this station ;

Ordered, That Mr. Grant, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Murray, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. White, Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Christie, and Mr. Deans, be a committee for that purpose ; that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

Febris, 6<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1794.

**Papers.** THE engrossed address to his honour the lieutenant-governor was read, in the words following :

“ JAMAICA, ff.

“ *To his honour ADAM WILLIAMSON, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief in and over this his majesty's island of Jamaica, and the territories thereon depending in America, chancellor and vice-admiral of the same,*

“ THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“ We, his majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the assembly of Jamaica, beg leave to return your honour our thanks for your speech at the opening of the session.

“ The tranquillity of this island must always, and particularly at this time, be deemed a great blessing ; and we rejoice with you that it has prevailed in such a degree as to have made it unnecessary to call us together at an earlier period.

“ The conquests gained by his majesty's arms in St. Domingo may be of material advantage to Great-Britain ; and we lament that sickness and mortality in the army and navy employed there, should have interrupted their further success. We hope, however, from the assurance you have from his majesty's minister, a considerable reinforcement will soon arrive in these seas, which will equally contribute to our security and to act against the enemy.

“ We are glad to find no unusual expence has occurred since last session ; and your honour may rely we shall cheerfully grant such supplies as may be requisite for the government of the island.

“ Convinced as we are of your constant endeavours to promote the happiness and prosperity of this country, be assured, sir, we shall cheerfully co-operate with you in every measure that may tend to the attainment of such desirable objects.”

Resolved, That the said address do pass.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor :

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to acquaint you, that having an humble address to present, they desire to know when you will please to be attended.”

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice and Mr. G. G. Barrett be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message ; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, on Saturday next, at three of the clock.

Mr. Christie, according to order, presented to the house a bill for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses ; which was received, and read the first time :

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Ordered,



Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow :

Mr. Murray, according to order, presented to the house a bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports, and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. S. Barrett, according to order, presented to the house a bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing church-wardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Grant, according to order, presented to the house a bill for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Cockburn, according to order, presented to the house a bill for laying a duty on tonnage, and applying the same to the use of the forts and fortifications; and for regulating the duty of gunpowder payable on tonnage, by virtue of an act entitled, "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof;" and to enable the receiver-general to import and purchase gunpowder, under certain regulations; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Campbell, according to order, presented to the house a bill for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Shirley, according to order, presented to the house a bill for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Galbraith, according to order, presented to the house a bill to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the go-

governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island for a limited time; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Taylor, according to order, presented to the house a bill for appointing an agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Murray, according to order, presented to the house a bill to empower the justices and vestry of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and assize of bread; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Ellis, according to order, presented to the house a bill to explain and regulate proceedings by foreign attachment; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Thompson, according to order, presented to the house a bill to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Rodon, according to order, presented to the house a bill for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-hill road, at the fig-tree in Olyphant's Lane, in the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll to be raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. S. Barrett, according to order, presented to the house a bill for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. G. G. Barrett, according to order, presented to the house a bill to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county; and to allow a bounty on neat cattle imported into this island from England and Ireland; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Campbell, according to order, presented to the house a bill to regulate the fees of the governor's secretary ; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A petition of the inhabitants of the parish of St. Elizabeth was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That very considerable progress has been made in the great road of communication between the north and south sides of the island, commonly called the Chesterfield road, which is now open for travellers on horseback, about eight miles from Y S pastures to the northward, and for wheel-carriages about half that distance ; but such difficulties have arisen that it is impossible to complete the said road without the further assistance of the house ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the magistrates, vestry, and other inhabitants of the parish of Portland was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioners applied to the house, in the last session, for a grant of money to make a road leading from Port-Antonio, over the mountains, to Bath, to avoid two dangerous crossings of the Rio-Grande, by making a riding-road through Back-River and Stanton-Harcourt plantations, on the banks of said river, by which travellers could proceed from Titchfield to Bath without crossing the River-Grande more than once, and that at a place where the fording is always safe :

“ That the house accordingly granted the sum of two hundred pounds for that purpose, which, although expended with the utmost frugality, has been insufficient ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, on behalf of Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed children of the said Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner's said reputed children have been all baptized, and such of them as have attained an age competent to receive instruction, have been educated and instructed in the religious principles of the church of England ; and it is the intention of the petitioner to bring up the younger of his said reputed children in like manner :

“ That the petitioner is possessed of property in this island to a considerable amount, wherewith to provide liberally for his said reputed children, and to render them useful members of society ;

“ And



“ And praying, that the house will be pleased to grant leave to bring in a bill for allowing to the petitioner's said reputed children, and their issue, such privileges as have heretofore been granted to persons in similar circumstances:”

Ordered, That the consideration of the said petition be referred to Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Galbraith, and Mr. Delpratt; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to take into consideration all such matters as relate to the expenditures of monies granted for the purpose of erecting the barracks at Great-River, in the parish of St. James;

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Grant, Mr. White, Mr. Batten, Mr. Christie, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Litch, and Mr. Galbraith, be a committee for that purpose, that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Veneris, 7<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

ORDERED, That the following message be sent to the council:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

“ We are ordered by the house to acquaint your honours, that there being a bill before the house for appointing an agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management, they desire you will appoint a committee of your board to join a committee of the house, in a free conference for the appointment of such agent; and, if your honours agree thereto, you will be pleased to appoint your number, time, and place.”

Ordered, That Mr. Quarrell and Mr. Delpratt be a committee to carry the above message to the council; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

A message from the council by their clerk, as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that, agreeably to their message  
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of this day, they have appointed a committee of three of their board to meet a committee of the house, in a free conference on the subject-matter of their said message, on Tuesday next, at three o'clock, in the council-chamber."

Ordered, That Mr. Taylor, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Woolfrys, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Henckell, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Murray, and Mr. Quarrell, be a committee to manage the said free conference.

Mr. Cockburn, from the committee to whom the petition of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, on behalf of Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed children of the said Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Galbraith, and Mr. Delpratt, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

The bill for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow, and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports, and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

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Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island for a limited time, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to empower the justices and vestry of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and assize of bread, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to explain and regulate proceedings by foreign attachment was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-hill road, at the fig-tree in  
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Olyphant's Lane, in the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county; and to allow a bounty on neat cattle imported into this island from England and Ireland, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

Resolved, That, to testify the grateful respect which the house entertain towards his honour the lieutenant-governor, and the respect they bear for the memory of his late consort, that leave be given to bring in a bill for dispensing with an act entitled, "An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase lands for burial-grounds;" and to indemnify the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, the late consort of his honour the lieutenant-governor, to be interred in the church of the said parish:

Ordered, That Mr. Rodon, Mr. Chief-Justice, and Mr. Fuller, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

A motion being made, that the receiver-general be directed to remit the sum of 300*l*. sterling to the agent of this island, for the purpose of purchasing a monument, to be erected in the parish-church of St. Jago de la Vega, in memory of Mrs. Williamson, late consort of his honour the lieutenant-governor, and as a mark of the respect and veneration in which her many virtues and amiable qualities were held by the inhabitants of this island;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A petition of the justices, vestrymen, and freeholders of the parish of Hanover, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the high road leading from Flint-River, in the said parish, through the pennis, to Carpenter's Hill, at the intersection of the great road leading from the town of Montego-Bay to Savanna-la-Mar, is of great public utility, as it considerably shortens the distance, shuns dangerous rivers, and renders the communication between the windward part of the said parish and the town of Savanna-la-Mar more safe and pleasant:

"That the said road, passing through a large tract of uncultivated land, has since its commencement given rise to many new settlements:

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“ That the sums granted by the house in former sessions, as well as the annual parish allotments, have been applied with great frugality, but have proved inadequate :

“ That the said road is capable of being made a good carriage road ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the magistrates, freeholders, and inhabitants of the parish of Portland, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the house were pleased, in the last session, to grant the sum of 300*l*. for the purpose of altering and improving about three miles of the king's road through the said parish, extending from Weil-Bay to Turtle-Crawle, which passed over three steep and difficult hills, in a part of the parish thinly settled :

“ That the said sum, although laid out with caution and frugality, has not been sufficient to complete more than half a mile of the said road ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the justices, vestry, and other inhabitants of the parish of Hanover, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the great road of communication across the island from Savanna-la-Mar to Lucca, from its entrance into Hanover, is at present nearly impassable ; and that, notwithstanding the toil on the road, a considerable allotment from the parish, and private subscriptions, have been expended to render it good, yet, from the peculiar nature of the soil being so very loose in some places as to require paving, its passing three very steep ravines, gullied by excessive torrents of rain, and other natural causes, it will be very difficult to keep the same in repair, unless it is previously thoroughly completed :

“ That the parishioners are unable to raise a sum sufficient for that purpose ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above three petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, on behalf of herself and her several children, free quadroons, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner is possessed of a considerable property, acquired by her industry ; that she has five children, named Robert Steinfon, Maria Steinfon, Charlotte Stuart Steinfon, Fanny Steinfon, and Alexander Steinfon, who have been severally baptized, brought up in the religion of the church of England, and well educated ; and that she intends to bestow her said property upon and amongst her said children, which will put them on a more respectable footing than people of their description are in general ; but, from the un-



fortunate circumstance of their birth, they are at present subject and liable to the same pains, penalties, and rules of government, as persons of their complexion who have neither property nor education, and have been brought up in idleness;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in for granting to the petitioner and her said children, and their respective issue, such privileges as have been heretofore granted to persons in the like circumstances:”

Ordered, That the consideration of the said petition be referred to Mr. Christie, Mr. Chief-Justice, and Mr. Fuller; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker*.

Sabbati, 8<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

MR. Speaker reported, that the house had attended his honour the lieutenant-governor, and presented their address; to which his honour was pleased to return an answer, of which, Mr. Speaker said, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy; and the same being read, was ordered to be entered, and is as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

“ Accept my best thanks for your address, and for the favourable opinion you have of my endeavours to promote the happiness and prosperity of this island.”

Mr. Christie, from the committee to whom the petition of Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, on behalf of herself and of her several children, free quadroons, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Ordered, That Mr. Christie, Mr. Chief-Justice, and Mr. Fuller, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

A petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of Hanover was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That a very material alteration has been lately made, to shorten and improve the road  
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of communication with the town of Savanna-la-Mar, and to render the same easy and safe to the neighbouring parishes of St. James and Trelawny :

“ That the petitioners are unable to carry the same into effect, without the assistance of the house ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of John Price, of the kingdom of Great-Britain, esquire, by Rose Price, esquire, his attorney in this island, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the last session, the petitioner, by his attorney aforesaid, presented a petition to the house, stating, that a highway or road had been laid out from the king's road, near Stirling-Castle estate, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, leading from Spanish-Town to Charlton and River-Head estates, in the said parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, and from thence to the Vale of Luidas, in the parish of St. John, at the instance of the said Rose Price, as the attorney in this island of the petitioner, and that the making and completing the said road would cost 7000*l.* and upwards, 4000*l.* of which the petitioner had then paid and became engaged for, and liable to pay such further expence as had been incurred ; and further stating, that the said road was of great utility to the said parishes of St. Thomas in the Vale and St. John, and the island in general ; and praying relief from the house :

“ That the freeholders and other inhabitants of the said parishes of St. Thomas in the Vale and St. John, at the same time, presented petitions, stating the very great utility of the said road to those parishes ; and praying that the house would grant relief to the petitioner :

“ That the said three petitions were referred to a committee appointed by the house to enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon :

“ That, in consequence of the said petitions, and the report made thereon to the house by the said committee, the sum of 1000*l.* was granted by the house for the purpose of making and finishing the said road ; and which sum has been laid out and expended in the making of the said road :

“ That the petitioner, by his attorney aforesaid, hath also paid a further sum of 600*l.* towards completing the said road, over and above the said sum of 4000*l.* and is liable to pay divers other sums of money on account of the making and finishing the said road, amounting in the whole to the sum of 1400*l.*”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Samuel Bell, practitioner in physic and surgery, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner, at the request of David Finlayson, deputy-marshal for Westminster,

land, has attended on, and furnished medicines to, all the sick prisoners in the county-gaol of Cornwall, from the 4th April last to the 28th October following:

“ That the petitioner, by virtue of a warrant from his honour the lieutenant-governor, to act as surgeon's mate on the island establishment, did attend the two companies of the 16th regiment, stationed at Savanna-la-Mar, and furnished all necessary drugs and medicines to the sick soldiers of the said two companies :

“ That an account of the drugs and medicines so furnished the sick prisoners and soldiers aforesaid is hereunto annexed, and for which he hath received no recompense ;”

*NOTE, For account see appendix, No. I.*

And praying for relief:

Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for applying the surplussage of the money that shall arise by virtue of “ An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof,” to certain uses:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Vaughan took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Vaughan, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act for applying the surplussage of the money that shall arise by virtue of ‘ An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof,’ to certain uses.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for laying a duty on tonnage, and applying the same to the use of the forts and fortifications; and for regulating the duty of gunpowder payable on tonnage, by virtue of an act entitled, “ An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof;” and to enable the receiver-general to import and purchase gunpowder, under certain regulations:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

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Mr. Henckell took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Henckell, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for laying a duty on tonnage, and applying the same to the use of the forts and fortifications; and for regulating the duty of gunpowder payable on tonnage, by virtue of an act entitled, 'An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof;' and to enable the receiver-general to import and purchase gunpowder, under certain regulations."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Campbell took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Campbell, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war."

Mr. Speaker acquainted the house, he had his honour the lieutenant-governor's leave to adjourn the house from time to time, as they should think proper.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Atkman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same,

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

Paris, 11<sup>e</sup> Dec. 1794.

THE engrossed bill for applying the surpluse of the monies that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for laying a duty on tonnage, and applying the same to the use of the forts and fortifications; and for regulating the duty of gunpowder payable on tonnage, by virtue of an act entitled, "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof;" and to enable the receiver-general to import and purchase gunpowder, under certain regulations, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Osborn, Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Foulks, and Mr. Woolfrys, be a committee to carry the above engrossed bills to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Mr. Cockburn, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed sons and daughters of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Christie, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Robert Steinfon, Alexander Steinfon, Maria Steinfon, Charlotte Stuart Steinfon, and Fanny Steinfon, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Taylor, from the committee appointed to meet a committee of the council, in a free conference for the appointment of an agent to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island, acquainted the house, that the joint committee had met, and had prepared a report, which he was ready to make when the house will be pleased to receive the same :

And

And a motion being made, and the question put, that the said report be received now ;

It was resolved in the affirmative :

Then Mr. Taylor, in his place, read the report, and afterwards delivered it in at the table ; where being again read, is as follows :

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ Your committee appointed to meet a committee of the council, in a free conference for the appointment of an agent to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island, have accordingly met, and are of opinion, that Robert Sewell, esquire, should be appointed agent for this island :”

And a motion being made, and the question put, that the house do agree thereto ;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A message from the council, by their clerk, as follows :

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they have agreed to the report made by the chairman of their committee appointed to join a committee of the house, in a free conference on the appointment of an agent for the soliciting the passing of laws, and for transacting other public affairs of this island in Great-Britain.”

Ordered, That the three following messages be sent to the council :

*First message.*

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

“ We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they have agreed to the report made by the chairman of their committee appointed to join a committee of your board, in a free conference for the appointment of an agent for the soliciting the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island.”

*Second message.*

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

“ We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they desire you will send down the names of such members of your board as you will have named commissioners in the bill for the appointment of an agent for the soliciting the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island.”

*Third message.*

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

“ We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they have appointed Mr. Shirley and Mr. Murray, or either of them, a committee to inspect the journals of your board.”

Ordered, That Mr. Lewis and Mr. Henckell be a committee to carry the above messages to the council ; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

A message



A message from the council, by their clerk, as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they have appointed the Honourable Thomas Iredell, John Palmer, Thomas Wallen, James Wildman, William Henry Ricketts, John Scott, and George Crawford Ricketts, to be named commissioners in the agency bill.”

The bill for appointing an agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, from time to time, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses:

Ordered, That the second message from the council of this day be referred to the committee of the whole house, to whom the said bill stands referred.

Mr. Rodon, according to order, presented to the house a bill for dispensing with an act entitled, “ An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase lands for burial-grounds;” and to indemnify the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the pains and penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, the late consort of his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, to be interred in the church of the said parish; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The resolution moved in the house on the 7th instant, that the receiver-general be directed to remit the sum of 300*l.* sterling to the agent of this island, for the purpose of purchasing a monument to be erected in the parish-church of St. Jago de la Vega, in memory of Mrs. Williamson, late consort of his honour the lieutenant-governor, and as a mark of the respect and veneration in which her many virtues and amiable qualities were held by the inhabitants of this island, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being read, was agreed unto by the house, *nem. con.*

Ordered, That the committee of the whole house, to whom any of the money-bills stands referred, do receive a clause for payment of the money mentioned in the said resolution.

Mr. Cockburn, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill to appoint commissioners to inspect the books of the receiver-general, and to settle and adjust the public accounts; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Cockburn, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A petition of several of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Catherine was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the highway from the Walks road to the government mountain, and from thence to Tulloch estate, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, is the shortest and general road by which the post passes from Spanish-Town to the north side, when the bridge on the Sixteen-Mile-Walk road is overflowed :

“ That in so far as the said road extends from the Walks road to the government mountain, it has been supported and repaired by allotments of negroes from the adjoining properties :

“ That the slaves on the government mountain have never been allotted or worked on the said road, or any grant made for repairing the same, to the knowledge of the petitioners :

“ That the said road is at present much out of repair, and the allotment of slaves thereon very inadequate to repair and keep the same in order ;”

And praying for relief :

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of monies for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of doctor Francis Rigby Brodbelt, physician to the gaol of St. Jago de la Vega, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner was appointed, by warrant from his excellency general Campbell, physician to the said gaol, on 4th October, 1782 ; since which time he hath diligently and carefully attended and administered medicines to the several sick persons confined therein :

“ That the sum of 100*l.* granted annually to the physician to the said gaol for his attendance, and supplying medicines to such sick persons, is due for the present year ;”

And praying for relief :

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island for a limited time :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Galbraith took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Galbraith, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island for a limited time."

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to direct William Innes, esquire, commissary of prisoners, to lay before the house a return of such emigrants and prisoners as receive subsistence, or are on parole; and of such persons as are kept prisoners in the prison ship or hospitals."

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley and Mr. Fitch be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof; and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions immediately.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

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Mercurii, 12<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

**Papers.** THE engrossed bill to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island for a limited time, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The bill for dispensing with an act entitled, "An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase



chapel-lands for burial-grounds;" and to indemnify the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the pains and penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, late consort of His honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, to be interred in the church of the said parish, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for dispensing with an act entitled, 'An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase lands for burial-grounds,' and to indemnify the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the pains and penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, late consort of His honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, to be interred in the church of the parish of St. Catherine."

The bill to entitle Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed sons and daughters of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to entitle Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed sons and daughters of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

The bill to entitle Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Robert Steinson, Alexander Steinson, Maria Steinson, Charlotte Stuart Steinson, and Fanny Steinson, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to entitle Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Robert Steinson, Alexander Steinson, Maria Steinson, Charlotte Stuart Steinson, and Fanny Steinson, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

The bill to appoint commissioners to inspect the books of the receiver-general, and to settle and adjust the public accounts, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the

the bill for appointing an agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, from time to time, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Taylor took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Taylor, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where several amendments being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Then one other amendment being again read;

And a motion being made, and the question put, that the report be amended by inserting, "one hundred and fifty pounds," instead of "one hundred pounds;"

It was resolved in the affirmative:

Then the several other amendments made to the said bill being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for appointing Robert Sewell, esquire, agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, from time to time, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management."

A petition of John Briffett, esquire, captain of Fort-Charlotte, at Lucea, in the parish of Hanover, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the petitioner, having received intimation of privateers being seen off the coast, and capturing several vessels, considered it necessary, for the protection of the harbour, to have carriages made for mounting the several guns in the said fort, and to put the same in a proper state of defence; for which purpose he has procured estimates to be made, of the expence, copies of which are annexed, and which are as reasonable as the petitioner can procure the same to be done for:

"That the said work is absolutely necessary for the protection of the said harbour, by reason of the carriages on which such guns were formerly mounted having, on trial, proved unserviceable, and fallen to pieces;

"And praying, that the house will be pleased to give directions, that the said work may be carried into execution, agreeable to the said estimates:"

NOTE, For estimates see appendix; No. II.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the above petition and estimates be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

A petition of the magistrates and vestry of the parish of St. James was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the monies granted by the house towards completing the Eldersley road are expended :

“ That the parish of St. James has largely contributed to the perfecting the said road :

“ That the many calls on the said parish, in consequence of the increase of settlements therein, render the support of so great and expensive an undertaking too heavy to be borne by the parish alone :

“ That the said road is of peculiar importance, as being the easiest known tract across the island, and as passing through a part of the country well adapted to raise provisions, in case any event should produce the scarcity experienced in the early part of the year, and oblige the inhabitants to raise their own supplies, or to offer premiums to bring provisions to their markets ;”

And praying for relief :

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Mess. Leigh and Younger, of the parish of Hanover, merchants, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioners were employed in carrying and transporting certain guns from Fort-Augusta and Port-Henderson to the harbour of St. Lucea :

“ That the petitioners did accordingly put the said guns on board the ship Ann, and transport the same to the harbour of St. Lucea, for which they have not received any compensation whatever ;”

And praying for relief :

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. III.*

Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of William Brown, esquire, attorney in this island to Alexander Longlands, surviving copartner of Longlands and Smith, merchants, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That



“ That the several articles charged in the annexed account were supplied by Longlands and Smith, for the use of the hospital of the 16th regiment, quartered at Montego-Bay :

“ That the death of David Smith, one of the copartners under the said firm of Longlands and Smith, prevented the said account from being attested by major Rawdon previous to his leaving the island, and that the paymaster and surgeon are both also absent from the island;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. IV.*

Ordered, That the above petition and account do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A petition of John Bird, of the parish of Kingston, wharfinger, on behalf of John Bird, of the parish of Kingston, a free quadroon, the reputed son of the said John Bird, by Sarah Davidson, a free mulatto woman, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner's said reputed son hath been baptized, educated, and instructed in the principles of the Christian religion, in the communion of the church of England as by law established, and hath been brought up in a decent and industrious manner; and, having arrived at the age of manhood, has, for some time past, supported himself reputably in the business of a wharfinger, and thereby acquired some property; which, with such fortune as the petitioner intends to bestow on him, will raise him considerably above the level of people of colour in general; but, from the unfortunate circumstance of his birth, he is subject and liable to the same pains and penalties, and rules of government, as free negroes and mulattoes are who have neither been educated, or have any visible means of obtaining a livelihood;

“ And praying, that the house will be pleased to give leave to bring in a bill for granting to the petitioner's said reputed son such privileges as have been heretofore granted to persons in the same circumstances:”

Ordered, That the consideration of the said petition be referred to Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Quarrell, and Mr. Woolfrys; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Feis, 13<sup>o</sup> die Novembriis, 1794.

**Papers.** **T**HE engrossed bill for appointing Robert Sewell, esquire, agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island; and for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for dispensing with an act entitled, "An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase lands for burial-grounds;" and to indemnify the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the pains and penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, late consort of his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, to be interred in the church of the said parish, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill to entitle Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed sons and daughters of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill to entitle Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, Robert Steinson, Alexander Steinson, Maria Steinson, Charlotte Stuart Steinson, and Fanny Steinson, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Lewis and Mr. Bryan be a committee to carry the above bills, and also the engrossed bill of yesterday, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Ordered, That the receiver-general do pay the fees on the bill for dispensing with an act entitled, "An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase lands for burial-grounds;" and to indemnify the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the pains and penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, late consort of his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, to be interred in the church of the said parish, the same being a private bill; and this house will make good the expence thereof.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the two following messages be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

*First message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to give directions for an account to be laid before the house of the arms and accoutrements that have been issued to the militia since the first day of November, 1791; and to order the commanding officers of regiments and corps, at whose requisition such arms and accoutrements have been delivered, to make a distinct return of their distribution, and to whom by name."

*Second message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to direct a return of his majesty's troops, quartered in this island, to be laid before the house."

Ordered, That Mr. Quarrell and Mr. Henckell be a committee to wait on his honour with the above messages; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to repeal the several acts therein mentioned; and for consolidating into one act all the laws relating to the highways;"

Ordered, That Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Woolfrys, and Mr. Lewis, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

Mr. Galbraith, from the committee to whom the petition of John Eird, of the parish of Kingston, wharfinger, on behalf of John Eird, his son, a free quadroon, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Quarrell, and Mr. Woolfrys, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

A petition of fundry freeholders and others of the parish of St. Ann was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the petitioners, for some years past, have been employed in making the windward part of the great back road leading from Montego-Bay, through the interior part of the parishes of St. James, Trelawny, and St. Ann, from Voce's gate, on the road from Pedro's Valley, to the intersection of the present St. Ann's road, near the north gate of Brownrigg's pen, a convenient safe carriage-road; but without effect:

"That the utility of the said road has been heretofore represented to the house, and that the grants made in consequence have proved inadequate;"

And



And praying for relief;

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Adam Dolmage, island store-keeper, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the year 1792, 5000 stand of arms for infantry, and 900 cavalry arms, with accoutrements, were sent to this island from Great-Britain, for the use of the militia :

“ That, in the year 1793, the powder magazine at Fort-Augusta, which before had been under the charge of the captain of the said fort, was ordered by the governor and council to be put under the petitioner's charge ; and, in the course of that year, an additional supply of 1000 barrels of gunpowder was received from Great-Britain, and deposited in the said magazine :

“ That the delivery of gunpowder from thence hath put the petitioner to additional expence ; and the care of the said additional arms and magazine hath greatly added to the duties and responsibility of his office :

“ That the salary of the store-keeper has hitherto been 200*l.* *per annum* ; which, the petitioner submits, is not at present adequate to the trouble, time, and attention, required in the discharge of his duty ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of Henry Andrew Francken was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the session of 1791, the petitioner applied by petition for relief from the house, upon certain grounds therein stated :

“ That the house thereupon directed a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying unto the petitioner the sum of 100*l.*

“ That the petitioner, from his great age, circumstances, and increased infirmities, is again under the necessity of submitting his case to the consideration of the house ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

A petition of Thomas Alves, late deputy-marshal for the parishes of St. James and Tre-lawny, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That there is justly due and owing to the petitioner the sum of 54*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* for the maintenance of sundry debtors confined in-gaol, as by the annexed account appears ;”

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And

And praying for relief:

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. V.*

Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of certain proprietors of the Spanish-Town theatre, on behalf of themselves and others, was presented to the house and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the year 1776, the petitioners and others entered into a subscription for building a theatre at their own expence, for the use and accommodation of the said town, the cost of which amounted to 247*l.* 16*s.* 1*¼d.* part of which sum is still due:

“ That, on the expected arrival of the 20th regiment of light dragoons (there being no barracks provided for them), the petitioners permitted the said building to be altered and fitted up for their reception:

“ That, by such appropriation, the petitioners have not only deprived the inhabitants of the said town of their only public place of amusement, but have in some measure injured the absent proprietors, whose permission could not be obtained;”

And praying for relief:

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Murray, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Taylor, Mr. S. Barrett, and Mr. Woolfry, or any five of them; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of Ann Middleton, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, on behalf of herself and of her several children, free quadroons, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner and her said several children have been all baptized, and such of her said children as have attained an age competent to receive instruction, have been educated and instructed in the principles of the Christian religion; and it is the intention of the petitioner to bring up the younger of her said children in like manner:

“ That the petitioner is possessed of property in this island to a considerable amount, wherewith to provide liberally for her said children, and to render them useful members of society;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave to bring in a bill for granting to the petitioner and her several children, and their issue, such privileges as have been heretofore granted to persons in similar circumstances.”

Ordered, That the consideration of the above petition be referred to Mr. Batty, Mr. Galbraith, and Mr. Swaby; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to appoint commissioners to inspect the books of the receiver-general, and to settle and adjust the public accounts :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Batty took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Batty, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to appoint commissioners to inspect the books of the receiver-general, and to settle and adjust the public accounts.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county ; and to allow a bounty on neat cattle imported into this Island from England and Ireland :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. G. G. Barrett took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. G. G. Barrett, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county.”

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*



Ueneris, 14<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Diapers.** **T**HE engrossed bill to appoint commissioners to inspect the books of the receiver-general, and to settle and adjust the public accounts, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor in council, by the clerk of the council, who brought down the writ of election for the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale ; which, with the provost-marshal's return thereto, being read, it appeared, that Lewis Cuthbert, esquire, was returned a representative for the said parish, in the room of Samuel White-horne, esquire, whose seat the house had vacated :

And the said Lewis Cuthbert, esquire, attending, took the usual oaths, and his seat accordingly.

The engrossed bill to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Henckell and Mr. Delpratt be a committee to carry the above engrossed bills to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto ; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Mr. Batty, from the committee to whom the petition of Ann Middleton, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, on behalf of herself and of her several children, free quadroons, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true ; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition :

Ordered, That Mr. Batty, Mr. Galbraith, and Mr. Swaby, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

Mr. Galbraith, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle John Bird the younger, of the parish of Kingston, wharfinger, a free quadroon, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions ; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

A petition of divers inhabitants of the mountains of St. James, and others interested in the properties there, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the monies granted by the house towards completing the Elderfleet road have been economically and faithfully expended :

“ That

“ That other sums from the said parish, and by subscription of individuals, equal in amount to the grants from the house, have in like manner been expended :

“ That a great part of the said road is now made cartable, and the whole of it greatly improved ; but, for want of funds to complete the latter part, it is likely to return to its former impassable state ; by which means great part of the monies laid out will be totally lost :

“ That the new settlements, and new roads opening in consequence of the improvements on the said road, and the increase of travelling upon it, point out the great importance of the road :

“ That the petitioners are willing to raise new subscriptions for completing the said road ; but the expence is too heavy for them solely to support ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of several inhabitants of the parishes of St. Catherine, St. John, and St. Thomas in the Vale, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That when the river-road from the Walks is rendered impassable by floods, the safest road of communication from the north side and internal parts of the country is through St. John's, the Guanaboa road to St. Jago de la Vega :

“ That the said road, for two miles and upwards from town, being low and clayey, had, after heavy rains, been rendered impassable for carriages until last year, when several of the petitioners subscribed the sum of 168*l.* which was expended in aid of the allotments on the said road ; but which has not been sufficient to put the same in repair ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of Hanover was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioners, at a very heavy expence, have already constructed several bridges in the said parish, for the safety and accommodation of the inhabitants thereof, and other travellers through the same ; notwithstanding which, there still remains a very dangerous ford at New-River, which, for six months in the year, is impassable, and materially obstructs the intercourse with the other parts of the north side, and has been fatal to many attempting to pass the same ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and other the inhabitants of the parish of St. Ann was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the money granted by the house, towards making the great road of interior communication from the leeward parishes, through the said parish to St. Thomas in the Vale, has been expended ; and although a considerable part of the said road may now be used by carriages, yet, without a further assistance, the intentions of the house will be frustrated, inasmuch as the said road is not completed ;”

And praying for relief.

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Ordered,

Ordered, That the above four petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report to the house the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of William Bryan, of the parish of Port-Royal, merchant, was presented to the house, and read, sitting forth,

“ That in October, 1793, the petitioner had demands against the public for boat-hire for his majesty’s 20th regiment of foot, then quartered at Port-Royal, amounting in the whole to 464*l.* 15*s.* which accounts were made out separately, agreeably to the different times of the petitioner’s boats having been employed :

“ That the said accounts were by the petitioner delivered to a gentleman at that time going from Port-Royal to Spanish-Town, for the purpose of leaving them, as is usual, with his honour the lieutenant-governor’s secretary, to be sent down to the house ; but, as the petitioner has been since informed, only a part of his said accounts, amounting to 259*l.* 5*s.* were delivered to the said secretary ; which sum, and no more, the petitioner has received :

“ That therefore there is still due to the petitioner the sum of 205*l.* 10*s.* as will appear by the annexed account, attested by the petitioner ; but which cannot now be certified, by reason of the absence of the said regiment ; but the petitioner has caused the said account to be attested by Mr. Benjamin Whittaker, the person who conducted the petitioner’s business at Port-Royal, and is best informed of the said boats having been furnished, and of their having attended the whole of the time set forth in the said accounts ; and who also knows, that all the said several accounts were certified by the then commanding officer of the said regiment.”

And praying for relief.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Benjamin Whittaker, late clerk to William Bryan, of the parish of Port-Royal, esquire, who being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that the several matters and things set forth in the above petition and annexed account are just and true, to the best of the deponent’s knowledge, information, and belief.

BENJ. WHITTAKER.

*Sworn before me, this 12th day of November, 1794.*

R. WETHERELL.

NOTE, For account *see appendix, No. VI.*

Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of William Hay Davis, of the parish of Westmorland, esquire, and Mary his wife, and of Samuel Delan and James Robertson, trustees, and attorneys to Dorrill Cope (an absentee), under a marriage settlement, being offered to the house ;

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the said petition be rejected.

Mr. Batty, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill to appoint certain commissioners for



for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago, de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to empower the justices and vestry of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and affize of bread:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Quarrell took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Quarrell, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to empower the justices and vestries of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and affize of bread; and for preventing persons making bread for sale from intermixing therewith any damaged or unwholesome materials or ingredients."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. G. G. Barrett took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. G. G. Barrett, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt."

Ordered, That the clerk appointed by the commissioners of forts, fortifications, and public buildings, do forthwith lay before the house all books, papers, and writings, in his custody, belonging to the said commissioners.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Allman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*  
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Partis, 18<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

**Prayers.** THE engrossed bill to empower the justices and vestries of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and assize of bread, and for preventing persons making bread for sale from intermixing therewith any damaged or unwholesome materials or ingredients, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor in council, by the clerk of the council, who brought down the writ of election for the parish of Trelawny ; which, with the provost-marshal's return thereto, being read, it appeared that James Stewart, esquire, was returned a representative for the said parish, in the room of Joseph Tharp, esquire, whose seat the house have vacated :

And the said James Stewart, esquire, attending, took the usual oaths, and his seat accordingly.

The engrossed bill for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Quarrell and Mr. Stewart be a committee to carry the above engrossed bills to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto ; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The bill to appoint certain commissioners for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill, was read a second time :

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow ; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

Mr. Batty, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle Ann Middleton, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Clotworthy Bruce, Rosanna Bogle, Ann Bogle, Archibald Bogle, George Bogle, Hugh Bogle, and Janet Bogle, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions ; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A petition of the magistrates, vestrymen, freeholders, and inhabitants of the parish of St. James, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the great post-road leading from Montego-Bay to the western parts of the island and to the county-court, crosses Montego-River, at a ford near the said town :

“ That

“ That the said river being subject to be swoln by land floods, to such a degree that the said ford becomes frequently impassable, whereby many human lives, as well as cattle, have been lost:

“ That monies have been raised by subscription for the building a bridge across the said ford, which has been begun; but the monies so raised are not sufficient to complete the said intended bridge;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the magistrates, freeholders, and other inhabitants of the parishes of St. Mary and St. Thomas in the Vale, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That a new road has been tracked out, and great part made, from Palmeto-Grove plantation, in the parish of St. Mary, through sundry properties, to join the public road from Sixteen-Mile-Walk to Spanish-Town:

“ That the said road will not only be of advantage to the inland settlers of St. Mary and St. Thomas in the Vale, but a much shorter way of communication from Spanish-Town to Port-Maria-Bay, than the road now used:

“ That the said road cannot be completed without the assistance of the house;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and other settlers of the mountainous parts of the parishes of Port-Royal and St. David was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from the Botanic Garden to the upper part of the parish of Port-Royal, and from thence through the parishes of St. David and St. Thomas in the East, is a road of communication between Mount Lebanon, in Blue-Mountain-Valley, and Kingston:

“ That, from the damage the said road has of late years sustained by floods, it is now nearly impassable;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and others inhabiting the upper part of the parishes of St. David and Port-Royal was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the monies granted by the house, in 1792, towards opening a road leading from Kingston to Blue-Mountain-Valley, in St. Thomas in the East, through the upper part of the parishes of Port-Royal and St. David, was carefully expended:

“ That the petitioners, in the last session, petitioned for a further grant; but without success:

“ That, without further assistance from the house, the money so granted, in 1792, will have been lost;”



And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and others inhabiting the upper part of the parishes of St. David and Port-Royal was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioners, in the last session, had a grant from the house of 100*l.* towards making a road from Fall-River, in the parish of Port-Royal, to Radnor, in the parish of St. David; which hath been frugally expended, but is inadequate for the purpose of completing the said road;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of St. David was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the king’s road leading from Hately’s tavern to Johnston’s Gutt, in the said parish, is nearly impassable for travellers:

“ That there are no carriages of burthen made use of, nor produce conveyed, upon the said road; and notwithstanding the petitioners tax themselves the full extent the law directs, yet such tax is very inadequate to keep the said road in repair;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above six petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of the magistrates, vestrymen, and freeholders of the parish of St. James, and of the merchants and inhabitants of the town of Montego-Bay, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That it will add greatly to the security of the harbour of Montego-Bay, in times of hurricanes, and during the prevalence of the north winds, to convert Meagre-Bay, being part of the said bay, into a close harbour, by building a mole on the reef that crosses the said Meagre-Bay:

“ That the revenue of the parish is not adequate to such an undertaking, on account of the many extra buildings, and other public objects, the parish have lately been and are actually engaged in:

“ That if a tax is laid on all vessels trading to the said harbour, in order to raise a fund to pay the interest of such sum as may be necessary to construct the same, individuals may be induced to advance it;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in to authorize and enable such individuals to undertake so important an improvement, for the security of the trade to this island; or that some other plan be established for effecting the same.”

Ordered,

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Vaughan, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Batty, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Rodon, and Mr. Ellis; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of George Atkinson, secretary of the island, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner is obliged, by his office, to record the laws annually passed in this island, and to prepare copies and duplicates thereof to be transmitted to one of his majesty's principal secretaries of state; and, for that purpose, to put the same, as well as the minutes of the assembly, under his attestation and the seal of the island :

“ That the petitioner has, in the course of the present year, in pursuance of the orders of the house, caused an alphabetical list of the letters of attorney recorded in his office, from 1752 to 1787 inclusive, to be carefully made and extracted from the books wherein such letters of attorney are entered and contained; and has also done and performed sundry other articles, specified in the account hereunto annexed; the fees for all which, together with money by him paid and advanced for postage of letters to and from the agent, amount to 964*l.* 4*s.* 4½*d.* which still remains due to the petitioner;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. VII.*

A petition of William Smart, of the parish of Kingston, printer, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner hath published sundry advertisements, and performed other printing business, as will appear by the annexed account;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. VIII.*

Ordered, That the above two petitions and accounts be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of John Baillie, of the parish of Port-Royal, mariner, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner was appointed executor under the last will and testament of Richard Young, late of the parish of Port-Royal, mariner, deceased, as also guardian to Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, free quadroons, the reputed children of the said Richard Young, by Susan Young Ladd, a free mulatto woman :

“ That the said Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, have been baptized, and brought up in the communion of the church of England, and well educated :

“ That their said reputed father devised a considerable property to be divided among them;

them, which will put them on a more respectable footing than the generality of persons of colour; but, from the unfortunate circumstance of their birth, they are liable to the same pains and penalties as those persons of colour who have neither education nor property;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in for granting to the said Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, the same privileges as have been heretofore granted to persons in the like circumstances:”

Ordered, That the consideration of the above petition be referred to Mr. Christie, Mr. Wallen, and Mr. Osborn; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Cockburn took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Cockburn, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house.

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due.”

Ordered, That the receiver-general do forthwith lay before the house separate and distinct accounts of all monies received by him, or paid into his office, for three years last past, arising from the several and respective duties laid and imposed by the rum law.

A motion being made, that the receiver-general do purchase, for the use of the house, six copies of the Laws of Jamaica (bound in morocco leather), published by authority by Alexander Aikman, and that this house will make good the expence thereof;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the House, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*



Percurii, 19<sup>o</sup> die Novembriis, 1794.

**Papers.** THE engrossed bill for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass:

Ordered, That Mr. Lewis and Mr. Thompson be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house sundry accounts against the public of Jamaica, and other papers, of which the following is a list:

- No. 1. Contingent account of the 13th regiment for 1793.  
 2. Account of bread furnished, by the owners of the snow Active, for the sick of the 16th regiment.  
 3. Mark Howard's account for services performed for the 20th regiment of light dragoons, rejected last year on account of informalities, now rectified.  
 4. Royal artillery accounts.  
 5. 20th light dragoons ditto.  
 6. 10th regiment of infantry.  
 7. 16th ditto ditto.  
 8. 62d ditto ditto.  
 9. Return of arms and accoutrements issued to the militia since 1st November, 1791.  
 10. Return of his majesty's forces in the island of Jamaica.  
 11. Memorial of major Incedon, barrack-master.  
 12. Memorial of the major and officers of the 20th or Jamaica regiment of light dragoons.  
 13. Extract from the engineer's report.  
 14. Letter from the commandant of Fort-Charles, respecting the master-gunner of that fort; which his honour particularly requests may be attended to.  
 15. Mr. McRobbie's account.

“ All which his honour is pleased to recommend to the consideration of the house.”

No. 1.

SIR,

*Mole St. Nicholas, St. Domingo, August 17th, 1794.*

I have inclosed a true copy of the contingent bill of the 13th regiment foot, presented to the house of assembly of Jamaica, a short time before the regiment left Jamaica: Lieutenant-colonel Whitelocke ordered me to pay the same, and I have been out of the money one year. I hope you will present the account, and pray its payment, otherwise we shall lose it altogether, the regiment not having any funds to reimburse me the amount.

I have the honour to be, SIR,

Your obedient servant,

G. W. HARDYMAN,

*Captain and paymaster 13th regiment foot.*

*General Williamson, commander in chief, &c. &c. &c. Jamaica.*

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## PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*An account of expences incurred by his majesty's 13TH REGIMENT  
OF FOOT, for the under-mentioned services.*

*Kingston barrack, Nov. 3d, 1792.*

					<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1792, Nov.	3.	Nails for the use of the barracks	-	-	0	0	10
	4.	Boat-hire, for carriage of tables from Fort-Augusta	-	-	0	7	6
	5.	Ditto ditto ditto	-	-	0	7	6
	6.	Lumber for use of the barracks	-	-	0	2	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
	8.	Boat-hire, with sick to Port-Royal	-	-	0	2	6
	16.	An iron rake and peel for bake-house	-	-	1	15	0
Dec.	3.	Boat-hire, with letters on service to commanding officer Fort-Augusta	-	-	0	2	6
	21.	Dray-hire, with sick to Up-Park	-	-	0	5	0
1793, Jan.	4.	Ditto ditto ditto	-	-	0	5	0
	5.	Boat-hire, with sick to Port-Royal	-	-	0	2	6
Feb.	12.	Dray-hire, for hospital bedding from Up-Park to Kingston	-	-	0	10	0
		Boat-hire, with letters on service	-	-	0	3	4
		Dray-hire, for surgeon Jobson's hospital baggage to Kingston	-	-	1	10	0
	13.	Horse-hire, for two sick men to Stony-Hill	-	-	2	0	0
	21.	Boat-hire, for disembarking recruits	-	-	0	10	0
Mar.	3.	Boat-hire from Port-Royal, with sick men	-	-	0	3	4
		Ditto, with powder from Fort-Augusta	-	-	0	8	4
	13.	A rheam of cartridge paper	-	-	2	10	0
	18.	Boat-hire, with damaged powder to Port-Royal	-	-	0	10	0
		Dray-hire, with ditto to the wharf	-	-	0	6	8
		Wharfage of said powder	-	-	0	6	8
		Boat-hire with pioneers, with letters on service to Spanish-Town	-	-	0	3	4
	19.	Ditto with powder from Fort-Augusta	-	-	0	7	6
		Carriage with powder, from wharf to barrack, and wharfage	-	-	0	5	0
	22.	Dray-hire, with six sick men to Stony-Hill	-	-	1	13	4
	25.	A shovel for the use of the barracks at Kingston	-	-	0	8	9
		800 flints at 5s.	-	-	2	0	0
		Lumber for window-shutters for bake-house, &c.	-	-	3	5	0
		Dray-hire, with sick to Up-Park	-	-	0	5	0
		A new socket for the oven peel	-	-	0	10	0
April	10.	Boat-hire, with letters on service to Port-Royal	-	-	0	3	4
May	24.	Horse-hire, with sick men to Stony-Hill	-	-	0	13	4
	29.	A lock for the bake-house	-	-	0	8	9
	31.	Boat-hire, with Adamson on board the Providence	-	-	0	6	8
June	24.	87 feet of lumber, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of nails, for repairing step-ladders, tables, forms, &c. since 24th April	-	-	2	3	9
		Carpenters charges for ditto	-	-	0	12	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
		15 pair of hinges for barrack-windows, at 2s. 6d.	-	-	1	17	6
		10lbs. cordage for clothes rack	-	-	1	5	0
July	6.	Advertising, by order, for a mess-room at Kingston, 11 times	-	-	1	2	6
		Advertising John North, a deserter, in daily paper	-	-	1	8	4
Aug.	7.	Boat-hire for embarking invalids	-	-	0	7	6
		Carpenters bill, No. 1.	-	-	11	7	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
		ditto 2.	-	-	7	1	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
		ditto 3.	-	-	13	5	2
					Carpenters		

# VOTES OF THE ASSEMBLY.

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				<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Carpenters bill, No. 4.	-	-	-	8	4	0
ditto 5.	-	-	-	6	17	7
Dray-hire, with four sick men to Stony-Hill	-	-	-	1	13	4
Advertising John North and Walter Scott, in weekly Gazette	0	15	0			
				80	19	11

I do certify, that I have paid the above sum of money by order of lieutenant-colonel Whitelocke, which was laid out by his order as above-mentioned. Carpenters bills, No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, were given with the original bill presented to the house of assembly, just before the 13th regiment left the island of Jamaica; and I do pray a repayment of the above bill.

G. W. HARDYMAN,  
*Paymaster 13th regt. foot.*

*Mole St. Nicholas, St. Domingo, Aug. 16, 1794.*

No. 2.

THE 16TH REGIMENT,

	<i>To the OWNERS OF THE SNOW ACTIVE,</i>	<i>Dr.</i>
		<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
1793, Feb. 1. To three puncheons bread, containing 900lb. a 32s. 6d.	-	14 12 6
puncheons, at 25s.	-	3 15 0
With interest, from 1st May, 1793, till paid.		18 7 6

I certify, that the above bread was purchased by my order, for the use of the sick of the companies of the 16th regiment, who were removed from Montego-Bay to Port-Maria and St. Ann's; and that it was judged absolutely necessary for the use of the sick.

G. RAWDON,  
*Major 16th regt.*

No. 3.

*Kingston, 17th June, 1793.*

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

	<i>To MARK HOWARD,</i>	<i>Dr.</i>
		<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
To removing fundry baggage belonging to his majesty's 20th regiment of foot, from the Ordnance wharf to Up-Park Camp	-	22 10 0

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, county of Surrey, and island aforesaid, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD.

*Sworn before me, this 14th Nov. 1793.*

JAS. CLARK.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,  
*Deputy quartermaster-general.*

*Kingston,*



Kingston, 8th September, 1793.

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To MARK HOWARD, Dr.  
l. s. d.

To removing the baggage of his majesty's 20th regiment of foot, from Up-  
Park Camp to Kingston barracks - - - 40 0 0

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JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, county of Surrey, and island aforesaid, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD,

Sworn before me, this 14th Nov. 1793.

JAS. CLARK.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,  
Deputy quartermaster-general.

Kingston, 16th March, 1793.

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To MARK HOWARD, Dr.  
l. s. d.

To removing the baggage of his majesty's 20th regiment of foot, from Up-  
Park Camp to Kingston barracks - - - 40 0 0

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JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, county of Surrey, and island aforesaid, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD.

Sworn before me, this 14th Nov. 1793.

JAS. CLARK.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,  
Deputy quartermaster-general.

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To MARK HOWARD, Dr.  
l. s. d.

1793, Nov. 30. To hire of a waggon - - - 8 5 0  
To hire of three wains - - - 8 5 0  
To dray-hire and negro labour - - - 5 10 0  
To hire of a sloop and a schooner - - - 22 0 0  
To hire of two flats - - - 5 10 0

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The above work performed for removing the baggage of his majesty's 20th regiment of foot from Kingston barracks to the Ordnance wharf, and from thence to Fort-Augusta.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, county of Surrey,  
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and island aforesaid, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD.

*Sworn before me, this 14th Nov. 1794.*

R. BATTY.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,

*Deputy quartermaster-general.*

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To MARK HOWARD,			Dr.		
			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Sept. 3.	To hire of two waggons, at 8 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> each	- - -	16	10	0
	To hire of four wains, at 5 <i>s.</i> each	- - -	11	0	0
	To dray-hire and negro labour	- - -	12	10	0
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			40	0	0
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The above work performed for removing the baggage of his majesty's 20th regiment of foot, from Up-Park Camp to Kingston barracks.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, county of Surrey, and island aforesaid, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD.

*Sworn before me, this 14th Nov. 1794.*

R. BATTY.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,

*Deputy quartermaster-general.*

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To MARK HOWARD,			Dr.		
			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, June 17.	To hire of one waggon	- - -	8	5	0
	To hire of three wains	- - -	8	5	0
	To dray-hire and negro labour	- - -	6	0	0
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			22	10	0
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The above work performed for removing the baggage of his majesty's 20th regiment of foot from the Ordnance wharf to Up-Park camp.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, county of Surrey, and island aforesaid, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD.

*Sworn before me, this 14th day of Nov. 1794.*

R. BATTY.

I do certify the above account,

FRAN. INCLEDON,

*Deputy quartermaster-general.*

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## PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

				To MARK HOWARD,			Dr.		
							l.	s.	d.
1793, March 16.	To hire of two waggons, at 8 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i> each	-	-	-	-	-	16	10	0
	To hire of four wains, at 5 <i>s.</i> each	-	-	-	-	-	11	0	0
	To dray-hire and negro labour	-	-	-	-	-	12	10	0
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							40	0	0
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The above work performed for removing the baggage of his majesty's 20th regiment of foot, from Up-Park Camp to Kingston barracks.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me Mark Howard, of the parish of Kingston, merchant, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists, that the above work was performed by him, and that he has received no payment on account thereof.

MARK HOWARD.

Sworn before me, this 14th day of Nov. 1794.

R. BATTY.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,

Deputy quartermaster-general.

No. 4.

## PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To the OFFICERS of his majesty's ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY, for  
LODGING-MONEY, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794, inclusive.

	days	l.	s.	d.
Capt. John Ramfey, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	50	0	0
Capt. Henry T. Thomson, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 28th Jan. 1794,	- 59	3	4	11
Capt. Edward Stehelin, from 23 Feb. to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 281	15	7	11½
Capt. Charles N. Cookson, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	365	20	0	0
Capt. ———, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 24 Feb. 1794,	- 86	4	14	2¾
Capt. Richard Hamilton, from 11 Oct. to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 51	2	15	1½
Lieut. James Concannon, from 14 May to 1 Aug. 1794,	- 79	4	6	7
Lieut. Thomas Bradbridge, from 28 Jan. to 4 Feb. 1794,	- 8	0	8	8¾
Lieut. William Fitchard, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	365	20	0	0
Lieut. William Dixon, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	20	0	0
Lieut. Charles Bingham, from 28 Jan. to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 307	16	16	5¼
Chaplain Gregory Ledwich, from 1 Oct. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	396	21	13	11½
Surgeon John De Courcy Gill, from 2 Dec. 1793, to 3 Jan. 1794,	33	1	13	5
Mate James Shaw, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	20	0	0
Mate John Fitzsimmons, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	20	0	0
Mate Robert Blackwell, from 10 Jan. to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 325	17	16	1¾
Mate John Hutton, from 31 Dec. 1793, to 14 July, 1794,	- 196	10	14	9½
Ordnance store-keeper, &c. Nicholas Lechmere, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	20	0	0
Clerk of ordnance Thomas Mayne, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	20	0	0
Clerk of cheque Henry A. Genet, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794,	- 365	20	0	0
		309	12	4½

JAMAICA,



JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me, one of his majesty's justices of the peace for the island aforesaid, captain John Ramsey, of the royal artillery, and made oath, that the above account of lodging-money, for himself and officers of his majesty's royal artillery, is a just and true account, there being no barracks allowed by the country for the officers of the royal artillery at Port-Royal.

JOHN RAMSEY,  
Captain.

Sworn before me, this 15th day of Nov. 1794.

ROB. WOOD.

RETURN of officers, non-commissioned officers, privates, drummers, wives, widows, and children, of three companies of the 2nd battalion ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY, who have drawn ISLAND PAY, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794, inclusive.

	Captain & subalterns	Chaplain	Ordin. store-keeper and muster-master	Surgeon	Surgeons mates	Ast. surg. general hospital	Clerk of ordnance	Clerk of cheque	Officers wives	Officers children	Non-comm. officers, drummers, & privates	Wives	Widows	Children
Decemb. 1793	6	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	5	8	128	35	3	47
January 1794	7	1	1		3		1	1	4	7	139	34	3	44
February	6	1	1		3	2	1	1	6	11	164	32	3	40
March	6	1	1		3	2	1	1	6	11	149	33	3	39
April	6	1	1		3	2	1	1	6	11	148	32	4	38
May	7	1	1		3	2	1	1	6	12	148	30	4	37
June	7	1	1		3	3	1	1	7	15	137	29	4	35
July	7	1	1		3	1	1	1	6	13	129	28	4	35
August	6	1	1		3	1	1	1	6	13	132	26	5	37
September	6	1	1		3	1	1	1	6	13	129	26	6	38
October	7	1	1		3	1	1	1	6	13	119	24	6	38
November	7	1	1		3	1	1	1	6	13	112	21	6	37

## No. 5.

An account of expences incurred by his majesty's 20TH, or JAMAICA REGIMENT OF LIGHT DRAGOONS, for removing of baggage, &c. &c. from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794.

	l.	s.	d.
To clothing 32 pioneers, at 5l. each, from 25 Dec. 1793, to 24 Dec. 1794	160	0	0
To expences when going to purchase young horses	-	18	10
To forks, brooms, and shovels, for the use of the stables	-	5	19
To Ellis's Crawle, for carriage of baggage from Kingston	-	9	14
To boat-hire, for convalescents at Port-Henderfon, between 26 Dec. 1793, and 6 May, 1794	-	3	1
To expences for disembarking convalescents	-	0	8
To carriage of baggage, landing, and wharfage, from on board the Martha	6	19	2
To a bed for the officer's guard-room	-	11	18

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I certify

I certify upon honour, that the sums which are charged in this bill for the several contingent expences therein mentioned, are the exact sums which have been advanced and are charged.

G. SANFORD,

*Lieut. colonel commandant.*

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To the OFFICERS of his majesty's 20TH, or JAMAICA REGIMENT OF LIGHT DRAGOONS, for LODGING-MONEY, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, inclusive.*

Commanding officer, lieut. colonel commandant George Sanford,	days	l.	s.	d.
from 1 Nov. 1793, to 3 March, 1794, - - -	123	16	16	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Commanding officer, major Francis Incedon, from 4 March to 31 Oct. 1794, - - - - -	242	33	3	0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Capt. George Anson, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	365	20	0	0
Capt. Robert Gillespie, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 21 July, 1794, - - -	263	14	8	0
Lieut. William Belford, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 16 Aug. 1794, - - -	289	15	16	6
Lieut. John Elliott, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	365	20	0	0
Lieut. Lewis Correvont, from 12 March to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	234	12	16	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lieut. Augustus Gould, from 16 April to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	198	10	16	10
Lieut. John Pryor, from 1 Nov. to 27 Dec. 1793, - - -	58	3	3	6
Lieut. Edward Pinneck Wallen, from 14 March to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	232	12	14	1
Lieut. James Grant, from 1 March to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	245	13	8	4
Lieut. Samuel Simpson, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	365	20	0	0
Cornet John Pryor, from 19 March to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	229	12	8	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cornet Thomas Fellows, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	365	20	0	0
Chaplain Mr. Marshall, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 28 Feb. 1794, - - -	120	6	10	8
Chaplain Mr. Hughes, from 1 March to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	245	13	9	4
Cornet George Blake, from 15 May to 28th Sept. 1794, - - -	137	7	10	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Surgeon John Robison, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	365	20	0	0
Surgeon's mate Harbison, from 23 Feb. to 5 Sept. 1794, - - -	195	10	13	7
Caldwell, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	335	18	6	11
Gallagher, from 1 Sept. to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	61	3	7	4
Quartermaster Rolle, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 11 May, 1794, - - -	192	10	9	4
Grimes, from 12 May to 31 July, 1794, - - -	81	4	8	2
Forbes, from 1 Aug. to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	92	5	2	6
McBride, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	365	20	0	0
Wade, from 1 to 30 Nov. 1793, - - -	30	1	12	1
Card, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	335	18	7	11
Fitzgerald, from 3 Jan. to 31 Oct. 1794, - - -	302	16	10	7
				382 0 7 $\frac{1}{2}$

G. SANFORD,

*Lieut. colonel commandant.*

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me, one of his majesty's justices of the peace for said island, lieutenant-colonel commandant-George Sanford, commanding his majesty's 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, and made oath, that the above account of lodging-money, for himself and officers of the 20th light dragoons, is a just and true account, there being no barracks allowed by the country for them at Spanish-Town.

G. SANFORD,

*Lieut. colonel commandant.*

*Sworn before me, this 18 Nov. 1794.*

J. M. DWYER.

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SIR,

Inclosed I have the honour of transmitting to you the contingent account of the regiment under my command, from the 31 December, 1793, to 10th November, 1794, which I have compared and found to tally with the receipts in the quartermaster's hands; also the return of lodging-money, up to the 31st of August, when the officers began to occupy the barracks. The other paper, which I take the liberty of inclosing, is the memorial of captain Richard Quarrell to the honourable house of assembly, for the usual allowance for wood and water for the detachment at Port-Antonio, while he commanded there. I am sensible that the mode of application is informal, as the memorial should have been addressed to your honour; but as he was unacquainted with the forms used upon these occasions, and as his being in Europe prevents the mistake being rectified, I trust you, sir, will have the goodness to lay it before the house, together with the other regimental papers; and as several of the members are acquainted with the circumstance, I make no doubt but the petition will be favourably received.

I have the honour to be, with the greatest respect, SIR,

Your most obedient and most humble servant,

LACHLAN MACLACHLAN,  
Major 10th regiment.

Kingston barracks, 13th Nov. 1794.

His honour general Williamson.

Contingent account of his majesty's 10TH, or NORTH LINCOLN, REGIMENT OF FOOT,  
from 3d Dec. 1793, to 10th Nov. 1794.

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Dec.	3.	To a new closet stool for the hospital, 11s. 3d.—repairing a door, 2s. 11d.	-	-	-
			0	14	2
	4.	To repairing tables and forms, by order of lieutenant-colonel Amherst, which were broke in the carriage to Stony-Hill	2	0	0
	5.	To 2 bushels of lime for the necessaries	0	3	4
	6.	To 30 drays, from Up-Park to Kingston barracks, with 4 companies baggage, at 6s. 8d. each	10	0	0
1794, Jan.	4.	To 8 drays, from Kingston wharf to the barracks, with captain Quarrell's company's baggage, on joining from Port-Antonio	0	13	4
	14.	To 2 new collars for the mules of the mess and hospital cart	1	0	0
	19.	To repairing the bucket of Kingston well	0	3	4
		To 34 drays, from Stony-Hill to Kingston barracks, with baggage and regimental stores (between 21st and 31st January) at 26s. 8d. each	45	6	8
	25.	To one waggon, with baggage and ammunition boxes	3	10	0
	26.	To 12 drays, from Kingston barracks to the wharf, with baggage, at 1s. 8d. each	1	0	0
		To 8 wherries, with baggage from Kingston to Port-Royal	4	16	8
		To wharfage of officers and non-commissioned officers	2	0	0
April	3.	To boat-hire from Kingston to Port-Royal, for a deserter	0	8	9
	7.	To 3 wherries, from Kingston to Port-Royal and back again, with baggage saved from the Convert	1	7	6
	8.	To repairing the cart at Stony-Hill	0	2	6
	11.	To boat-hire from Kingston to Port-Royal, with sick men for Europe	0	10	0
		To a new bucket for Kingston well	0	10	0

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			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	15.	To 11 drays, from Stony-Hill to Up-Park, with 2 companies baggage, at 26s. 8d. each	14	13	4
	19.	To repairs at Kingston, <i>per</i> order of major McLachlan	1	12	9½
May	23.	To 2 drays, from Stony-Hill to Up-Park, with surgeon Shean's baggage, medicine-chest, and hospital bedding	2	13	4
	10.	To boat-hire, from Kingston to Port-Royal, with sick men invalided	0	10	0
	29.	To repairing a window-shutter at Kingston barracks	0	0	10
June	3.	To 11 drays, from Up-Park to Stony-Hill, with 2 companies baggage, medicine-chest, hospital bedding, and sick men not able to march	14	13	4
	4.	To 4 drays, from Stony-Hill to Kingston, with one company's baggage	5	6	8
		To 3 drays, from Up-Park to Kingston, with baggage and stores, the officer at that post being ordered to join	1	0	10
		To hanging and fixing 18 hammocks for the detachment at the Up-Park	0	19	7
	5.	To white-washing Kingston hospital	0	8	4
	13.	To repairing a table and form, one pair of HL hinges for window-shutter at the hospital, and paid carpenter	0	11	5½
July	1.	To repairing one upright and two rails, for the mens hammocks, in Kingston barracks	0	5	0
	10.	To repairing the lock of the store-room door	0	2	6
	19.	To one dray, from Stony-Hill to Kingston, with invalids for Europe	1	6	8
	23.	To repairing the oven	0	10	0
Aug.	4.	To 2 new buckets for Kingston well	4	10	0
		To 72lb. of rope for ditto	3	13	0
	15.	To a new body box and iron-work for the cart at Stony-Hill	10	18	9
Oct.	18.	To 2 pair of strong hinges, 11s. 3d.—paid carpenter, and nails, 1s. 8d.	0	12	11
	28.	To repairing a window-shutter, and one hinge to a window at the east end of the mens barracks	0	5	0
Nov.	5.	To a new axle for the cart at Stony-Hill, and fitting it in	4	0	0
			143	0	7

I do certify upon honour, that I have carefully examined the above account, and compared it with the vouchers in the hands of the regimental quartermaster, and have found them to agree exactly.

LACHLAN MACLACHLAN,  
Major commanding the 10th regiment.

Return of LODGING-MONEY due the under-mentioned OFFICERS of his majesty's 10TH, or NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE, REGIMENT OF FOOT, from 1 Nov. 1793. to 31 Oct. 1794.

	<i>days</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Major Lachlan Maclachlan, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Aug. 1794,	304	41	12	10½
Major John Barker, from 1 Feb. to 31 May, 1794,	120	6	11	6
Capt. Henry De Berniere, from 1 Feb. to 30 April, 1794,	89	4	17	6½
Capt. Richard Quarrell, from 1 Feb. to 31 May, 1794,	120	6	11	6

Capt.

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	days	l.	s.	d.
Capt. David Mellifont, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Jan. 1794, -	92	5	0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lieut. William Hamill, from 1 Feb. to 31 Aug. 1794, -	212	11	12	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Lieut. William P. Dismore, from 1 Feb. to 31 Aug. 1794, -	212	11	12	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Lieut. I. Kynnersby Kirby, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Jan. 1794, -	92	5	0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lieut. George Canning, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 5 Aug. 1794, -	278	15	4	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lieut. Robert M'Gregor, from 4 Jan. to 31 Aug. 1794, -	240	13	3	0
Lieut. Andrew Patton, from 1 Feb. to 11 Aug. 1794, -	192	10	10	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lieut. Edward Northmore, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Aug. 1794, -	304	16	13	1 $\frac{3}{4}$
Ensign James Higginson, from 1 Feb. to 31 Aug. 1794, -	212	11	12	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Ensign J. P. Gray, from 21 June to 31 Aug. 1794, -	73	4	0	0
Island mate Watton, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 31 Oct. 1794, -	365	20	0	0
Mitchell, from 28 May to 3 July 1794, - -	37	2	0	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
		186	3	8 $\frac{1}{2}$

LACHLAN MACLACHLAN,  
Major 10th regt. foot.

JAMAICA, ff.

*The humble petition of captain RICHARD QUARRELL, of the 10th regiment, formerly commanding a company of the said regiment, at Fort-George, Port-Antonio,*

*Sheweth,*

That your petitioner, by virtue of the aforesaid appointment, did hire and employ certain negroes, to cut wood and supply water for the said company (as by the subjoined account will appear), in consequence of a grant from the island of seventy-five pounds *per annum*; and that your petitioner transmitted an account of the same to the commanding officer of the 10th regiment, colonel Amherst, considering it the proper way to present it to the house through him, and was not apprised, till after the sessions 1793, that it had not been presented. Your petitioner therefore prays, that this honourable house will take the premises into consideration, and grant him such relief therein as to the house shall seem meet.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

RICHARD QUARRELL,  
Captain 10th regt.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To captain RICHARD QUARRELL, Dr.  
l. s. d.

1793, Feb. 14, to 1794, Jan. 1. To supplying a company of the 10th regiment with wood and water, ten months 14 days, a 75l. per ann. quartered at Port-Antonio	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	12	6
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JAMAICA, ff.

Personally appeared before me captain Richard Quarrell, of the 10th regiment, who being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, the above is just and true.

Sworn before me; this 18 May, 1794.

T. JAMES.

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## VOTES OF THE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

*Contingencies incurred by the 16TH REGIMENT OF FOOT, from 15 Oct. 1793, to 30 Aug. 1794*

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1794, July 25.	To paid for repairing the tank pump	-	-	1	5 0
Aug. 30.	To paid wharfage of regimental clothing	-	-	11	11 3
	To paid storeage of ditto	-	-	14	9 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
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			27	5	3 $\frac{1}{2}$

N. B. When the clothing arrived at Kingston, the regiment was at the north side of the island.

EDWARD BYRNE,

*Quartermaster 16th foot.*

I do certify, that I believe the above account, signed Edward Byrne, quartermaster of the 16th regiment of foot, to be perfectly just and true.

JOHN SKINNER,

*Captain and commanding 16th regt.**Sworn before me, this 13 Nov. 1794.*

JOHN LEWIS.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To the OFFICERS of his majesty's 16TH REGIMENT OF FOOT, for LODGING-MONEY, from 1 Nov. 1793, to 2 Feb. 1794.*

							<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Lieut. Higgins	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
Lieut. Awdry	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
Ensign Wooldridge	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
Ensign James	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
Quartermaster Byrne	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
Surgeon's mate M'Farlane	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
Hospital mate Leith	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	0
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							36	1	0

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me, one of his majesty's justices of the peace for the island aforesaid, captain John Skinner, commanding the 16th regiment of foot, and made oath, that the account of lodging-money for the officers is just and true, there being no barracks furnished them by the island at Lucea.

JOHN SKINNER,

*Captain and commanding 16th regt.**Sworn before me, this 13 day of Nov. 1794.*

JOHN LEWIS.

THE PUBLIC OF THE ISLAND OF JAMAICA,

*To the under-named OFFICERS of his majesty's 16TH REGIMENT OF FOOT, for EXTRA LODGING-MONEY.**Captain John Skinner,**To 25 weeks lodgings at Montego-Bay, from 5 Sept. 1792, to 26 Feb. 1793,**at 25s. per week**By island allowance for the above period, at 20l. per ann.*

Extra lodging-money over-paid by captain Skinner

<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
31	5	0
9	11	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
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21	13	2 $\frac{3}{4}$

*Captain*



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*Captain G. Spens,*

*l. s. d.*

To 29 weeks lodgings at Montego-Bay, from 5 Sept. 1792, to 26 March, 1793,

at 25*s.* *per* week - - - - - 36 5 0

By inland allowance for the above period, at 20*l.* *per* year - - - 11 2 5<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

Extra lodging-money over-paid by captain Spens - - - 25 2 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Extra lodging-money over-paid by captain Spens - - - 25 2 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Extra lodging-money over-paid by captain Skinner - - - 21 13 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

Total extra lodging-money over-paid - - - 46 15 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

JOHN SKINNER,

*Captain and commanding 16th regiment.*

*Sworn before me, this 13th Nov. 1794.*

JN. LEWIS.

## 16TH FOOT.

*Account of ISLAND POSTAGE for letters, from 21st Aug. 1792, to 28th Oct. 1793, paid by different officers on the north side of the island.*

*l. s. d.*

Letters to the commanding officer, *per* account - - - 20 4 0<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

paymaster - - - - - 8 16 5

adjutant - - - - - 1 18 9<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

quartermaster - - - - - 2 15 8<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

surgeon - - - - - 1 8 10

sergeant-major - - - - - 2 3 6<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

commanding officer at Fort-Haldane - - - 5 1 8<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

commanding officer at Falmouth - - - 1 6 10<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

Postage paid for letters sent to Britain by paymaster, *per* account - - - 3 7 7

Postage of monthly returns sent to Britain, by sergeant-major - - - 4 18 1<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>

52 1 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

JOHN SKINNER,

*Captain and commanding 16th regiment.*

*Sworn before me, this 13th Nov. 1794.*

JN. LEWIS.

## No. 8.

PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To the OFFICERS of his majesty's 62D, or WILTS, REGIMENT OF FOOT, for LODGING-MONEY, from the 1st day of December 1793, to the 30th day of November 1794, both days inclusive.*

*days l. s. d.*

Lieut. colonel Charles Horneck, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 17 May, 1794, 168 23 2 6

Capt. Trevor Hull, from 14 to 17 May, 1794, - - - 4 0 4 4

Capt. Trevor Hull, commanding officer, from 18 May to 30 Nov. 1794, 197 26 17 6

Capt. Thomas Drinkwater, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 4 Feb. 1794, 66 3 12 4

Capt. George Hewey, from the same to 27 May, 1794, - 178 9 13 5

Capt. William Okham, from the same to 30 Nov. 1794, - 365 20 0 0

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Capt.

	days	l.	s.	d.
Capt. James Fisher, from the same to the same, -	365	20	0	0
Lieut. John Symmers, from the same to 15 Sept. 1794, -	289	15	13	11
Lieut. James Blackwell, from the same to 17 May, 1794, -	163	9	2	6
Lieut. Arthur Phaire, from 28 Jan. to 30 Nov. 1794, -	307	16	16	1
Lieut. Richard Burnell, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 4 Feb. 1794, -	66	3	12	4
Lieut. Samuel L. Duntze, from the same to 30 Nov. 1794, -	365	20	0	0
Lieut. Francis Hardwicke, from the same to 27 May, 1794, -	173	9	13	5
Lieut. William Newall, from the same to 18 March, 1794, -	108	5	17	6
Lieut. John Farrill, from 28 Jan. to 30 Nov. 1794, -	307	16	16	1
Lieut. Hyacinth R. Daly, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794, -	365	20	0	0
Lieut. George Gauntlett, from the same to the same, -	365	20	0	0
Lieut. William Lucas, from the same to the same, -	365	20	0	0
Ensign William Derenzey, from the same to the same, -	365	20	0	0
Ensign Eth. Kilbee Matthews, from the same to 10 Aug. 1794, -	253	13	15	0
Ensign John F. Goodridge, from the same to 10 Feb. 1794, -	72	3	18	11
Ensign George F. Nangle, from the same to 23 Sept. 1794, -	297	16	2	9
Acting island mate Geo. Thomas, from 25 Dec. 1793, to 30 Nov. 1794, -	341	18	13	3
James Seton Lane, from the same to the same, -	341	18	13	3
Acting chaplain reverend Mr. Marshall, from 28 May to the same, -	187	10	3	3
Acting adjutant Samuel Tayler, from 1 Dec. 1793, to the same, -	365	20	0	0
Quartermaster John F. Oldham, from 26 Feb. to the same, -	278	15	4	4
Surgeon William Lempriere, from 1 Dec. 1793, to 19 May, 1794, -	170	9	4	8
Surgeon's mate Hugh Munro, from the same to 24 March, 1794, -	114	6	3	9
Island hospital mate Henry Jaffrey, from the same, to 30 Nov. 1794, -	365	20	0	0
Island mate Lachlan Shaw, from 1 Jan. to the same, -	334	18	5	5
Walter Lundie, from 1 Dec. 1793, to the same, -	365	20	0	0
		471	6	0

JAMAICA, *Jf.*

Personally appeared before me, one of his majesty's justices of the peace for the island aforesaid, captain Trevor Hull, commanding the 62d, or Wilts, regiment of foot, and made oath, that the above account of lodging-money, for himself and officers of his majesty's 62d regiment of foot, is a just and true account, there being no barrack allowed by the country for them at Spanish-Town.

TREVOR HULL,  
Captain commanding 62d.

Sworn before me, at Spanish-Town, this 13 Nov. 1794.

WILLIAM RAMSAY.





		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
<i>Feb.</i>	28. To paid Jacob De Cordova for the hire of a cart, to convey sick men to and from Port-Henderfon -	1	10	0
<i>Mar.</i>	13. To paid by captain Fisher to Charles Stock, for one insertion in the Royal Gazette, Matthew Buckley, deserter, 5s. and 10s. for two insertions in the Montego-Bay paper -	0	15	0
<i>April</i>	4. To cash paid Jacob De Cordova for the hire of a cart, with sick men to and from Port-Henderfon -	1	10	0
	To paid sergeant Lindsay, boat-hire, with 7 sick men to Port-Royal - - - - -	0	5	0
<i>May</i>	9. To paid Jacob De Cordova for the hire of a cart, with invalids to Fort-Augusta - - - - -	1	10	0
<i>June</i>	29 & 30. To cash expended by sergeant Campbell, in landing 16 recruits for the regiment, and for boat-hire going on board ship	0	17	6
<i>July</i>	22. To paid Jacob De Cordova for the hire of a cart, to convey invalids to Port-Henderfon - - - - -	2	0	0
	24. To paid ditto for the hire of a cart, to convey sick men to Stony-Hill - - - - -	4	13	4
	To paid for oil, 20s.—and for emery, 15s.—to clean new arms sent from England to the regiment, which had received damage by salt water on board ship - - - - -	1	15	0
	To paid Mr. Lewis, his account for cartridge-paper furnished the regiment by order of general Williamson, not being any in the island stores - - - - -	5	17	6
	To paid for thread and twine for cartridges - - - - -	0	15	0
<i>Aug.</i>	1. To what paid for liquor for the sick of the 62d regiment, from 24th May to 31st July, by order of general Williamson	82	10	10
	To paid Jacob De Cordova for the hire of a cart, to convey sick men to and from Stony-Hill - - - - -	5	10	0
	10. To paid ditto for the hire of a cart, to convey sick men to and from Stony-Hill - - - - -	5	10	0
	23. To paid Foster March for a mule - - - - -	30	0	0
<i>Sept.</i>	3. To paid Henry Frazer, for cart-harness - - - - -	4	8	4
	17. To paid Charles Glyn, for painting the hospital - - - - -	2	4	2
	27. To paid Thomas Allen, for a one-horse cart - - - - -	24	0	0
<i>Nov.</i>	8. To paid sergeant Cummings, for horse-hire from and to Stony-Hill - - - - -	0	8	4
	11. To paid sergeant O'Brien, for feeding the mule to 14 Nov.	8	16	10½
	To paid farriers 20th light dragoons, for curing the mule	2	0	0
		202	5	7½

TREVOR HULL,

Captain commanding 62d.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me, one of his majesty's justices of the peace for the island aforesaid, captain William Oldham, and made oath, that the above account, to the best of his knowledge and belief, is just and true.

WILLIAM OLDHAM,  
Captain 62d regt.

Sworn before me, this 13 Nov. 1794.

W. RAMSAY.

No.

No. 9.

RETURN of ARMS AND ACCOUTREMENTS *issued for the use of the MILITIA OF JAMAICA, between the 1st November, 1791, and the 17th November, 1794.*

			MUSKETS.			Carbines, with sabres, belts, &c.
			Black sea service.	Bright English.	Bright Spanish.	
1791, November and December.	St. Catherine's regiment of militia,					
	1st battalion	-		448		
	Ditto	ditto, 2d bat.		250		
	St. Andrew's	ditto		222		
	Kingston	ditto		1100		
	St. George's	ditto	150			
	St. Mary's	ditto	400			
	St. Ann's	ditto		275		
	Trelawny	ditto		450		
	St. James's	ditto		500		
	Hanover	ditto	150			
	Westmorland	ditto		300		
	St. Elizabeth's	ditto		175		
	Clarendon	ditto		150		
	St. Thomas in the East and					
	St. David's	ditto	150	400		
	St. Catherine's troop of horse			40		
	Portland regiment of militia			125		
	Pert-Royal	ditto		250		
	St. Andrew's	ditto			128	
	Vere	ditto			300	
	St. Catherine's	ditto, 3d bat.			250	
	Western division of horse				60	
	Clarendon troop				20	
	Eastern division				240	
1792.						
May 7.	John Lewis, esquire, for Westmor-	land troop of horse				55
Nov. 21.						
Dec. 10.	Eastern division of horse					100
	Western division					100
24.	St. Andrew's troop					20
	St. George's troop					40
1793.						
April 19.	St. Catherine's regiment of militia,					
	1st battalion			29		
	Captain Grant, for St. Mary's wind-					
	ward troop of horse					40
May 1.	Eastern division of horse					140
	Midland division of horse					200
July 5.	St. Mary's light horse					50
Oct. 12.	Duke of Clarence's troop					30
Dec. 5.	Western division of horse					30
1794.						
Nov. 3.	Clarendon regiment of militia,		280			
Total			1130	4714	998	805

Spanish-Town, 17th November, 1794.

ADAM DELMAGE, *island store-keeper.*

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No. 10.

## MONTHLY RETURN OF HIS MAJESTY'S TROOPS, in JAMAICA, 1st November, 1794.

MONTHLY RETURN of HIS MAJESTY'S TROOPS, in JAMAICA, 1st November, 1794.																			
Regiments	Officers present			Effective sergeants, drummers, and rank and file				Total			Wanting to complete		Alterations since last return						
	Commissioned	Staff	Present, and fit for duty	Recruiting command, &c.		Sick	Horses	Men	Horses	Men	Horses	Men	Horses						
				In the island	Not in the island														
3 Comps. Royal Artillery 20th Light Dragoons 10th, or North Lincoln 16th, or Buckinghamshire 62d, or Wiltshire	Colonels																		
	Lieutenant-colonels																		
	Major																		
	Captains																		
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	Cornets and ensigns																		
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	Adjutants																		
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## No. 11.

JAMAICA, *B.**To the honourable WILLIAM BLAKE, esquire, speaker, and other the members of the honourable house of assembly,**The humble petition of major FRANCIS INCLEDON, barrack-master for the island,**Sheweth,*

That your petitioner was appointed barrack-master, by his honour the lieutenant-governor, on the 21st December, 1792:

That, for his services and expences in that department, this honourable house were pleased, in the last session, to make him an allowance of ten shillings *per* day, from the time of his appointment until the 4th day of December, 1793:

That your petitioner has, since the said 4th day of December, 1793, paid the utmost attention, and diligently performed the duties incumbent on him, by virtue of such his office of barrack-master; but for which he hath not received any recompense or reward:

Your petitioner therefore prays, that this honourable house will be pleased to take the premises into consideration, and grant him such relief therein as may seem-expedient;

And your petitioner will ever pray.

## No. 12.

*To his honour ADAM WILLIAMSON, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this his majesty's island of Jamaica, &c. &c. &c.**The memorial of the MAJOR and other the OFFICERS under him, of his majesty's 20TH, or JAMAICA, REGIMENT OF LIGHT DRAGOONS,**Sheweth,*

That, at the time application was made by the honourable house of assembly to his majesty to send out a regiment of light dragoons to this island for its internal protection, the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons was ordered out to this island upon a very low establishment of officers, in the incertainty whether the said regiment would be kept in the island for any length of time:

That from the present establishment of officers, and the local situation of the regiment, your memorialists labour under greater disadvantage and hardships than any other officers in his majesty's service, without the same prospect of promotion:

That your memorialists understand, that his majesty has thought fit to add an additional lieutenant-colonel and major to every regiment of dragoons in the service, except the 20th, or Jamaica, light dragoons; which regiment, from the risk of climate and services it is liable to, your memorialists conceive requires a greater number of officers than any other regiment:

That, from the peculiar establishment of the regiment, in the lieutenant-colonel being commandant of the regiment, your memorialists are in a great measure entirely precluded from any chance of arriving to the rank of lieutenant-colonel; and, from the great distance from home, they are deprived of the opportunities that other officers enjoy, of getting promotion by exchanges to other corps:

That the present establishment of two captains only, makes the duty fall very hard on those officers, and must either subject the regiment to great disadvantage at all times, and particularly so if called into actual service, or deprive the officers of that absence from the regiment which their health may require, or the king's usual indulgence to other regiments give them a right to expect:

That captain Gillespie's ill state of health requiring his going to Europe for the recovery of it, the whole duty of that rank falls on Captain Anson; and, in case of any accident happening to him, there is not another captain to do the duty:

That

That your memorialists beg leave to add, as an assurance that pecuniary consideration is not the object of their pursuit, that those officers who might gain promotion by the alteration wished for will readily forego the pay annexed to the rank, till the service of the regiment shall prove them deserving of it:

Your memorialists pray, therefore, your honour to take into consideration this their memorial, and, if it shall meet your honour's approbation, to forward their prayer to the honourable house of assembly, that they will recommend the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons to be put on such an establishment as shall not deprive the officers of the chances of promotion, that all other officers in his majesty's service enjoy:

And your memorialists will ever pray, &c.

FRAN. INCLEDON, *major*

G. ANSON, *captain*

JOHN ELLIOTT, *lieutenant*

L. CORREVONT, *lieutenant*

AUGUSTUS GOULD, *lieutenant*

S. SIMPSON, *lieutenant and adjutant*

JAMES GRANT, *lieutenant*

THOMAS FELLOWS, *cornet*

JOHN PRIOR, *cornet*

N. B. Lieutenant Thomas not joined

Lieutenant Wallen sick

Cornet Sanford not joined.

No. 13.

*Extract from the ENGINEER'S REPORT.*

From the encroachment the sea is daily making towards the polygon, that work is tumbling to pieces, and, if not prevented by some effectual means, will not only undermine the greatest part of that battery, but will in a short time prove fatal to the dock-yard and stores. The only method to prevent any further depredations, and to secure the works from being totally destroyed, is by driving strong piles, with hurdles filled with rubbish, to make a foundation for a stone bulwark to be built, to act as a breakwater. Should your honour approve of this mode of security, an estimate of the expence will be laid before you.

From the situation of Rock-Fort being at present only an open battery, it would be highly proper to inclose the rear with a dwarf-wall and railing, in order to prevent those who may, from no other motive than that of observation, be suffered at all hours to enter the fort, without permission from the captain or commanding officer.

As to the barracks and other works visited by the honourable board of commissioners, I presume they have laid a full state of their situation before your honour: I shall only beg leave to mention, that the gun-carriages and platform at Fort-Small are totally decayed, and the gun-carriages at the Apostles Battery much in the same condition.

I further beg leave to represent to your honour, from the want of every implement necessary to erect works, should an attack be apprehended, in case of our falling in any of our operations to windward, to recommend the most eligible, cheapest, and readiest method of defence, should so unfortunate an event take place: I mean, the method adopted by the late colonel Menciaf at the siege of Havana and Charleston; the purchasing of scantling made into frames to fix and unfix at pleasure. From the simplicity of the construction, the expence of carpenters work would be trifling; and to constitute a good redoubt, any where it might be found necessary, would only be attended with the additional expence of a few boards, and negro labour, the excavation of the earth from the ditch forming the parapet and banquette, the guns principally to be mounted in battery; and, where

when embrasures are found necessary, a few gabions or sand-bags placed upon the parapet will supply their place.

The great utility of those frames are, that, after the service is at an end, the lumber may be converted to any other public use. From having used them myself in different parts of America, when assistant-engineer with the army last war, and proving their good effects, I should consider myself deficient in my duty to your honour and the country, were I not to recommend them.

I have the honour to be, with great respect,

Your honour's much obliged humble servant,

WILLIAM FRAZER,

*Attling island-engineer.*

*Spanish-Town, 10th Nov. 1794.*

No. 14.

PORT-ROYAL.

SIR,

I beg leave to represent to you, that the gunner of Fort-Charles being an indefatigable good man, his duty calling him up at gun-fire in the morning, and sometimes continuing till twelve o'clock at night; notwithstanding his extraordinary diligence and trouble, I do not find he receives any pay for it, but a trifling allowance from the captain of the fort as his clerk; when that the gunner at Fort-Augusta, and the conductor at Mosquito-Point, have each of them very handsome incomes. Exclusive of his business as gunner of the fort, he receives all kinds of ordnance stores that come to Port-Royal, and issues them again when demanded. I therefore hope your honour will be pleased to take his case into consideration, and grant him such relief as may seem proper.

I remain, with the greatest respect,

Your honour's most obedient and very humble servant,

JOHN RAMSEY,

*Captain Fort-Charles.*

*His honour the lieutenant-governor.*

" SIR,

" 19th Nov. 1794.

" The case contained in the foregoing letter his honour the lieutenant-governor particularly recommends to the consideration of the house.

" I have the honour to be, SIR,

" Your most obedient servant,

" WM. SHAW, *secretary.*

" To the honourable the speaker of the house of assembly."

No. 15.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*For his majesty's 20TH LIGHT DRAGOONS,*

		To JOHN HENDERSON,	Dr.
1793, Dec.	30.	To hire of a boat, from Port-Henderson to Kingston and back	0 10 0
1794, Jan.	6.	To ditto of a ditto, all day	0 15 0
	8.	To ditto of a ditto, all day	0 15 0
Feb.	6.	To ditto of a ditto, all day	0 15 0
Mar.	13.	To ditto of a ditto, to Port-Royal, with invalids, and bringing quartermaster Rolle	0 7 6
		Carriage, from Kingston to Spanish-Town, 2 middling cafs, No. 57, 58	0 15 0
	29.	Wharfage, 4 hhds. porter, 7s. 6d.—hire of a boat, all day, 15s.	1 2 6
April	8.	Ditto and freight, 4 hhds. ditto, at 3s. 9d.	0 15 0
	24 & 29.	Hire of a boat 2 days, at 15s.	1 10 0
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## VOTES OF THE ASSEMBLY.

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<i>Feb.</i>	25. ( <i>omitted</i> ) Hire of a long-boat, on board a transport with Mr. Simpson	- - -	1	5	0
<i>May</i>	3. Wharfage, 2 large chests and 1 ditto case, 15 <i>s.</i> —1 middling chest, 3 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> —a bundle bedding, 7½ <i>d.</i> —and hire of a shallop, carrying the above and several convalescents on board the schooner Eclipse, 65 <i>s.</i>	- -	4	4	4½
	5. Hire of a wherry to Port-Royal and back	-	0	7	6
	9 & 11. Hire of a ditto 2 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	- -	1	10	0
	12. Wharfage, 2 barrels flour, 1 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> —4 cases, 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> —2 trunks, 6 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> —and hire of a boat, carrying ditto and invalids to Port-Royal, and bringing back quartermaster Rolle, 7 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	- - -	1	1	8
	16. Wharfage and freight, 4 hhds. porter	- - -	0	15	0
	30. Hire of a boat, the 27th and 29th inst. and this day	-	2	5	0
<i>June</i>	2. Wharfage, 2 hhds. porter	- -	0	3	9
	9. Wainage to Spanish-Town, and wharfage, 14 hhds. porter, 6 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>	- - -	4	7	6
	Hire of a boat to Kingston	- - -	0	5	0
	30. Hire of a boat, for 13 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	- -	9	15	0
<i>July</i>	21. Wharfage, and freight on board ship, 3 large chests, 7 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> —1 ditto, at 5 <i>s.</i> 7½ <i>d.</i> —1 trunk, 5 <i>s.</i> 7½ <i>d.</i> —1 ditto, 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> —7 bundles bedding, 4 <i>s.</i> 4½ <i>d.</i> —and a passage for seven convalescents as above, 4 <i>s.</i> 4½ <i>d.</i>	- - -	2	5	0
	23. Hire of a wherry, all day	- - -	0	15	0
	31. Hire of a boat, for 15 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	- -	11	15	0
<i>Aug.</i>	14. Wharfage and freight, 2 hhds. porter, 7 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> —1 tierce rice, 3 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> —a barrel fugar, 1 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>	- -	0	12	6
	30. Hire of a boat, for 12 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	- -	9	0	0
<i>Sept.</i>	3. Wharfage and freight, 2 hhds. porter	- -	0	7	6
	8. Ditto and ditto, 2 ditto	- -	0	7	6
	29. Hire of a boat, for 13 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	- - -	9	15	0
<i>Oct.</i>	21. Wharfage and freight, 2 hhds. porter	- -	0	7	6
	31. Hire of a boat, for 14 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	-	10	10	0
<i>Nov.</i>	18. Ditto of a ditto, for 7 days, at 15 <i>s.</i>	-	5	5	0
			84	4	9½

Spanish-Town, 18th Nov. 1794.

I do certify the above account, for the use of the sick and convalescents belonging to the 20th, or Jamaica, light dragoons, at the Apostles Battery.

FRAN. INCLEDON,  
Major comm. 20th light dragoons.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me William M'Robbie, who made oath, that he believes the above account to be just, and the charges reasonable.

WM. M'ROBBIE.

Sworn before me, this 19th Nov. 1794.

WM. RAMSAY.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the several papers sent down with the above message, and numbered 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That the several other papers sent down with the above message be referred to the committee for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to appoint certain commissioners for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Batty took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Batty, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to appoint certain commissioners for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned.”

Ordered, That the clerks of the peace for the several parishes of Kingston and Port-Royal do forthwith lay before this house an account of the number of foreign slaves, whom their owners or employers have given in to their respective offices, together with the names of such owners or employers, as directed by the foreign slave law.

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Mr. Christie, from the committee to whom the petition of John Bailey, of the parish of Port-Royal, mariner, on behalf of Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, free quadroons, the reputed children of Richard Young, late of the said parish of Port-Royal, mariner, deceased, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Christie, Mr. Wallen, and Mr. Osborn, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

A petition of John Henderson, esquire, an absentee from this island, by William McRobbie, his attorney, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the last session, several accounts of the petitioner, for sundry demands against the public, were sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house; and which accounts were referred to the committee of accounts:

“ That in the report made by the said committee to the house, on the 29th day of November last, it was recommended to the house, not to allow two of the said accounts, containing charges for lodgings furnished by the petitioner, at Port-Henderson, to three officers of his majesty's 49th regiment, while on duty at the Apostles Battery, amounting to 38*l.* 8*½d.* and four officers and a surgeon's mate of his majesty's 20th regiment, also on duty at the said battery, amounting to 142*l.* 10*s.* the same appearing to the committee as an extraordinary charge; which report was agreed to by the house:

“ That the officers to whom such lodgings were so furnished by the petitioner have been, for some considerable time past, either dead or absent from this island, and have not therein any assets, or any legal representative; whereby the petitioner is precluded from every hope of receiving payment of the said two accounts, but from the justice of the house:

“ That, in the year 1790, accounts of the petitioner against the public, containing charges exactly similar, being for lodgings furnished to the officers of his majesty's 62d regiment, were presented to the house; and the same, after being audited, were passed, and payment ordered to the petitioner;”

And praying for relief:

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

A petition of Robert Shawe, attorney at law, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner, by the direction of his honour the lieutenant-governor, prepared and engrossed a contract between his said honour and Mark Howard, for supplying the horses belonging to the 20th light dragoons with forage; and another contract, between his said honour and Robert Ross, for supplying the horses of the said 20th light dragoons with pasturage:

“ That



“ That the petitioner hath also, at the instance of his said honour, drawn and engrossed, and paid for recording, a conveyance of a slave from John Weir and wife to his present majesty, king George the third :

“ That the account for the said business is hereunto annexed, and the sum of 21*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.* is the usual charge for business of the like kind ;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. IX.*

A petition of William Walker, register of the court of vice-admiralty and clerk of the arraigns, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner, in February and March last, did, by the directions of his majesty’s advocate-general, commence and carry on a prosecution against Joshua Barney, mariner, for piracy said to have been by him committed on the high seas :

“ That, in the account hereunto annexed, the petitioner hath stated and set forth a true account of the business by him done in the course of the aforesaid prosecution, and hath therein charged the usual and customary fees of office for the same, amounting in the whole to 57*l.* 10*s.* no part whereof has been paid ;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. X.*

A petition of Thomas Craskell, superintendant of Trelawny-Town, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner presented to the house, the last session, a petition for lodging-money expended by him, there being no house at Trelawny-Town for his residence :

“ That the house thereupon granted him fifty pounds, for lodging-money for the last year :

“ That the petitioner is still in the same predicament ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above three petitions and accounts be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Mary and St. Thomas in the Vale was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That some of the petitioners have, at a very considerable expence, turned the road leading from the foot of Guy’s Hill to Spanish-Town, through New-Works, Burton’s, and Mickleton plantations, which makes the road from St. Mary’s over Guy’s Hill to Spanish-Town, greatly shorter :

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“ That it is now the only public road of communication between Spanish-Town and St. Mary’s over Guy’s Hill ; and, from the nature of the soil on some part of the said road, the money that can be granted on it by the said parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, under the late highway law, is greatly insufficient to the necessary repair and amendments of the said road ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders of the parish of Vere was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the new road from Old-Harbour, through Harris’s Savanna, is not only of great utility to the said parish in particular, but to the public in general, as being the nearest from the towns to Milk-River Bath :

“ That the grants from the house, of 550*l.* have been already expended, and that the said road is not yet completed ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, gentleman, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner entered as a clerk into the office of Mr. Thomas Gordon, writer to the signet, in Edinburgh, in November, 1785, where he continued four years ; when he entered into the office of Mr. Andrew Blane, also writer to the signet, where he remained till July, 1792 ; and, in the course of such the time of his services at Edinburgh, he attended the lectures of the law-professor in the university of Edinburgh, in compliance with the regulations of the society of writers to the signet, for two sessions, *viz.* the sessions 1787 and 1789 :

“ That the petitioner came to Jamaica in June, 1793, and entered into the office of Messrs. Grant, Shawe, and Grant, attornies at law, where, and in the office of Mr. Robert Shawe, he has continued until the present time, except for the space of three months, when he was obliged to go to sea for the benefit of his health :

“ That, owing to some neglect or oversight, no articles of clerkship were entered into between the petitioner and such his respective employers ; by reason whereof the petitioner is not, by the laws of this island, entitled to his admission as an attorney in the several courts of law and equity, although he has served as a clerk to the said profession almost eight years, being three years above the time prescribed by the law of the island, for the further regulation of solicitors and attornies at law practising in the several courts of this island :

“ That the petitioner apprehends it was not the intention of the legislature, at the time of passing the said law, to deprive persons who had really served the time prescribed thereby,  
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and should be properly acquainted with the profession, from the advantage accruing to them from such their servitude, and that he has fully complied with the intention and spirit of the before-mentioned act ;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in to enable the judges of the supreme court to admit the petitioner to be sworn in, and practise therein as an attorney of the said court, notwithstanding the before-mentioned act :”

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. White, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Redwood, and Mr. Cockburn ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Atkinson to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Tobis, 20<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

*Prayers.* A MESSAGE from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by the provost-marshal commanding, in the king's name, the attendance of the house in the council-chamber, immediately :

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker and the whole house went up ; and being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that they had attended his honour the lieutenant-governor in the council-chamber ; when his honour was pleased to give his assent to the following bills :

“ An act for establishing and declaring rules and articles of war :”

“ An act for laying a duty on tonnage, and applying the same to the use of the forts and fortifications ; and for regulating the duty of gunpowder payable on tonnage, by virtue of an act entitled, ‘ An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island, and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof ;’ and to enable the receiver-general to import and purchase gunpowder, under certain regulations :”

“ An act to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this island, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to issue his majesty's royal proclamation, during the recess of the present assembly, prohibiting the exportation of flour and other provisions from this island, for a limited time :”

“ An act for appointing Robert Sewell, esquire, agent in Great-Britain, to solicit the passing of laws, and for transacting in Great-Britain other public affairs of this island ; and  
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for empowering the members of his majesty's council, the speaker and the members of the assembly for the time being, as occasion shall require, to give instructions for such his management :”

“ An act for appointing commissioners to inspect the books of the receiver-general, and to settle and adjust the public accounts :”

“ An act for dispensing with an act entitled, ‘ An act to prevent the burying the dead in the churches of this island ; and to enable the justices and vestry of certain parishes to purchase lands for burial-grounds ;’ and for indemnifying the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, against the pains and penalties of the said act, for having permitted the remains of Anne, the late consort of his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor, and commander in chief of this island, to be interred in the church of the said parish :”

“ An act to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county.”

The engrossed bill to appoint certain commissioners for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass :

Ordered, That Mr. Vaughan and Mr. Quarrell be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto ; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses ; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. S. Barrett took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. S. Barrett, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress therein, and that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again :

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

A motion being made, that the house do immediately resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to explain and regulate proceedings by foreign attachment ;

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It passed in the negative :

Resolved, That this house will resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said Bill, this day six months.

The bill to entitle Ann Middleton, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Clotworthy Bruce, Rosanna Bogle, Ann Bogle, Archibald Bogle, George Bogle, Hugh Bogle, and Janet Bogle, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time :

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, " An act to entitle Ann Middleton, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Clotworthy Bruce, Rosanna Bogle, Ann Bogle, Archibald Bogle, George Bogle, Hugh Bogle, and Janet Bogle, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

Mr. Christie, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, of the parish of Port Royal, free quadroons, the reputed children of Richard Young, late of the same parish, mariner, deceased, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions ; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Chief-Justice, from the committee to whom the petition of Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, gentleman, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true ; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. White, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Redwood, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

The house being informed, that the receiver-general attended at the door, he was called in, and, at the bar, presented to the house, according to order, the several accounts relating to the rum duties ;

And then he withdrew :

Ordered, That the said several accounts do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A petition of the magistrates, vestrymen, and freeholders of the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

" That the road leading from Williamsfield estate, in said parish, to the boundary-line of St. Mary, is one of the most public roads in the island :

" That the said road has been hitherto supported by allotments from the parish ; which, U although

although very heavy on the inhabitants, have become totally inadequate to the supporting and keeping the said road in repair, owing to floods and other natural causes, which have considerably damaged the same ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of several of the inhabitants, on behalf of themselves and others, of the parish of St. Catherine, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That there is a vast tract of uncultivated wood-land near the Slips-Hills, and which, from the circumstance of there being no road of communication, is a harbouring place for many runaway negroes; and, on account of depredations, the proprietors thereof are fearful of making settlements on said lands :

“ That a road being made from the Port-Henderson road, across to the Old-Harbour road, will be of great service to the parishes of St. Catherine, St. Dorothy, Port-Royal, and Kingston, and of general benefit to the island; for in the event of an invasion or insurrection, or other causes rendering it necessary to send expresses between Old-Harbour and Kingston and Port-Royal, the same could pass in a shorter space of time by means of such cross-road ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of Vere, residing in and about Carpenter's Mountains and Milk-River, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road over Carpenter's Mountains, from Milk-River to the parish of St. Elizabeth, by Plowden-Hill, is an old road of communication between the windward parishes and the said parish of St. Elizabeth, and frequently used by travellers in preference to that over Mayday-Hill :

“ That the said road has been so greatly damaged by repeated floods, as to render it nearly impassable :

“ That the inhabitants of the district, being chiefly small settlers, are unable to repair or alter the said road ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above three petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report to the house the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of James Walker, M. D. of the parish of Kingston, physician appointed to the county-gaol of Surrey, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner, in 1790, was appointed physician to the said gaol, and hath since been allowed, by the house, 100*l.* *per ann.* for his attendance on the sick prisoners confined therein, and the amount of accounts for medicines furnished and supplied such prisoners :

“ That



" That the petitioner hath, since the 8th November, 1793, the day when his last account was made up to, attended on and furnished medicines to the sick prisoners in the said gaol; a list or account of which medicines is hereunto annexed, amounting, at the usual mode of charging for such articles, to the sum of 214*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*"

And praying for relief :

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XI.*

Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of the inhabitants and others of the vicinity of Rio-Bueno river, in the parish of Trelawny, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

" That the petitioners labour under peculiar hardship from the turnpike, which (on certain conditions) was erected, by virtue of an act of assembly, to pay off a sum of money, which it appeared to have cost the artificer in erecting a bridge over the said river of Rio-Bueno, more than was granted by the house and the subscription of the parishes of St. Ann and Trelawny; and to the expence of which the petitioners bore an equal proportion :

" That the condition of the said act was, in the first place, to keep the road on, and of each side, the bridge in good repair, which has never been in the least attended to; and that, instead of this tax paying off any part of the principal, it barely defrays the contingencies :

" That as the house has given sanction to an inland road, which is so far carried into execution that numbers travelling to and from town go that way, and, when the said road is completed, from its goodness and short distance, will induce many travellers to prefer it; in consequence of which, the turnpike will be an everlasting burthen to the inhabitants of that vicinity."

And praying for relief :

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Stewart, Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. White, Mr. C. G. Barrett, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Murray, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Grant, and Mr. Shirley, or any five of them; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house; and that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

A petition of the justices and vestrymen of the parish of Clarendon was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

" That, in the year 1764, one of the female slaves belonging and attached to the rectory of the said parish was delivered of a mulatto female child, now known by the name of Molly, or Molly Matthews; and which child was the reputed daughter of one David Matthews :

" That the said David Matthews, being desirous to have the said child manumized, did apply, in the year 1768, to the churchwardens and rector of the said parish to that effect; and it was thereupon agreed, that the said child should be manumized, on the condition of a new negro woman being placed in her stead, and added to the rectory slaves :

" That

“ That the said David Matthews did thereupon purchase, and deliver over to the church-wardens and rector aforesaid, an able new negro woman, in lieu of the said mulatto child:

“ That the said rector shortly afterwards, and previous to any manumission being executed for the said mulatto girl, removed out of the parish, and took away with him the said new negro woman; since which they have neither been heard of:

“ That the said Molly, or Molly Matthews, hath since been the mother of four mulatto children, named Susanna, John, Jenny, and Edward, who are all now living:

“ That the said mulatto woman and her said children, notwithstanding the circumstances aforesaid, are still in a state of slavery:

“ That therefore, from motives of justice and humanity, the petitioners pray, that the house will, by a bill to be brought in for that purpose, or otherwise, grant relief to the said mulatto woman named Molly, or Molly Matthews, and her four mulatto children, named Susanna, John, Jenny, and Edward:”

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Henckell, Mr. Foulks, and Mr. Rodon; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of the inhabitants of the town of Montego-Bay, on behalf of themselves and others interested in the said town, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That although the said town is increased to a considerable magnitude, containing many valuable houses, and stores of merchandize to great amount, the petitioners labour under several inevitable inconveniences, and are unnecessarily exposed to great danger, by the want of legal provisions for regulating the police of the said town, particularly respecting public markets, and a nightly watch for the prevention and extinguishing fires;

“ And praying, that a bill may be brought in for regulating the police of the said town:”

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Vaughan, Mr. G. G. Barrett, and Mr. Ellis; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

*Alenerts,*

Sancti Spiritus, 21<sup>o</sup> die Nobembrijs, 1794.

**Readers.** THE engrossed bill to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The bill to entitle Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, of the parish of Port-Royal, free quadroons, the reputed children of Richard Young, late of the same parish, mariner, deceased, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to entitle Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, of the parish of Port-Royal, free quadroons, the reputed children of Richard Young, late of the same parish, mariner, deceased, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house a return of the French prisoners in charge of Mr. Innes, the commissary, as required by the house: Also, the memorial of Alexander Watt, of Montego-Bay, surgeon."

*To his honour ADAM WILLIAMSON, esquire, lieutenant-governor, &c. &c. &c.*

*The memorial of ALEXANDER WATT, island surgeon's mate, Montego-Bay.*

That your memorialist was, in the month of August, 1792, attached by John Weir, esquire, surgeon to the forces, to his majesty's 16th regiment of foot, stationed at Montego-Bay; and that, in a short time afterwards, the sick list of that regiment increased to a number unknown before, in any equal number of men ever in this island on his majesty's service: That from these circumstances, the usual allowance of medicines, wine, and other hospital stores, given by government, became altogether inadequate to the wants of the sick; and the distance of that place from head-quarters prevented even that quantity from being received regularly: That under these distressing circumstances, when the regimental stores were entirely exhausted, your memorialist, urged by motives of humanity, from a conviction that it was his duty, and being requested thereto by the surgeon of the regiment, purchased and paid for, out of his own funds, such articles as were, by all the medical men then attached to the regiment, judged requisite: That accounts of all such were, during the last session, presented to the honourable house of assembly; and your memorialist has great reason to believe, that, for want chiefly of an attestation of the facts now related, and which no person could give but one of the surgeons constantly attending, they were, with several others of the same description, rejected: That by the disappointment occasioned by this rejection, your memorialist has suffered both loss and inconvenience, and has further been put to much trouble and expence in coming twice from Montego-Bay to Spanish-Town to get his accounts attested by the commanding officer, without which they could not have been presented for payment, and to make such explication as he foresaw would be requisite to obtain it:

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Your memorialist, therefore, confides in your honour to cause such representation of these facts to be made to the honourable house of assembly, as that he may obtain such redress as his case may seem to deserve.

ALEX. WATT.

Ordered, That the return, sent down with the above message, do lie on the table, to be perused by the members :

Ordered, That the memorial, sent down with the above message, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses ; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. S. Barrett took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. S. Barrett, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through a further part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table ; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house :

And then Mr. S. Barrett acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again :

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

Mr. Henckell, from the committee to whom the petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of Clarendon was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true ; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to enable the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Clarendon for the time being, to manumize Molly Matthews and her four children, named Susanna, John, Jenny, and Edward, on receipt by the said churchwardens of the bonds prescribed by law :

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report :

Ordered, That Mr. Henckell, Mr. Foulks, and Mr. Rodon, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

A petition of the inhabitants of the town of Bath, in the parish of St. Thomas in the East, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the embankment formerly erected for the security of the town against the encroachment

ment of Plantain-Garden-River, has, in consequence of several extraordinary floods, suffered considerable injury, and the petitioners are exposed to great danger, provided the breaches in the said embankment (which has been the means of saving the town) be not timeously repaired;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of Andrew Ross, esquire, captain of the Apostles Battery, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the establishment or pay to the captain of the Apostles Battery hath been, for some years past, and now is, 100*l.* *per ann.*

“ That the said battery is a place of very great importance, as, commanding the channel leading from Port-Royal to Kingston, every ship or vessel passing or re-passing being obliged to pass under the guns of the said fort, and is one of the main defences of the harbour of Kingston and Port-Royal; and being a very healthy spot, the convalescents of the different corps of the army in the island are generally sent there for the recovery of their healths; which requires the constant attendance and residence of the captain there :

“ That there is no market-boat established for the said fort, which, with the bareness of the adjacent country, makes it exceedingly expensive to get the absolute necessaries for subsistence there :

“ That the putting of the said fort on the same establishment as Rock-Fort would be a great relief to the petitioner, who is put to great difficulties from the manner in which the same is paid, being by an annual vote of the house, in place of so much *per day*, as it is paid at all the other forts;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

A petition of sundry inhabitants of the parish of St. Elizabeth was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the former grants made by the house towards completing the road of communication between the said parish and the parish of St. James, called the Eldersley road, although assisted by liberal parochial grants and private subscriptions, have proved ineffectual;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the justices and other inhabitants of the parish of St. David was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from Hately’s tavern, in the said parish, through the inland part of the same, and over Cossley-Hill, into the interior parts of St. Thomas in the East, is of that particular description intended to be assisted by the grant of money passed the house this session :

“ That

“ That the said road communicates not only with the inland parts of St. David and St. Thomas in the East, but also with the parish of Port-Royal; and, in cases of disturbance and internal commotion, is particularly calculated to forward any military expeditions into the mountainous parts of the said parishes :

“ That the part of the said road which passes from Hately's tavern to the foot of Coffey-Hill, is constantly subject to material damage from the river-courses unavoidably passing through it :

“ That the other part of the said road, over the hill, is as constantly liable to injury from rains and violent weather, owing to the narrow space that the situation of the land permits to be made use of :

“ That the petitioners are unable to keep the said road in repair ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of Westmorland was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the settlers in the mountains above Dean's Valley have been, for some years past, at considerable expence in making, amending, and altering, the road leading from the junction of the Barrack-Road to St. Elizabeth :

“ That the continuation of the said road is already laid out from the junction of the said Barrack-Road, through Darliston, Lenox, and other settlements, to the line of St. Elizabeth, which is in extent only twelve miles :

“ That the said road, when completed, will be an excellent carriage-road, and will not only encourage settlers, but be of great advantage and utility to the public ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above three petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report to the house the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of David Schaw, of the parish of St. James, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner's settlement adjoins Trelawny maroon-town; in consequence of which, the maroons stock are continually trespassing on his and the negro provision-grounds, and have totally destroyed the provisions thereon :

“ That the petitioner has repeatedly made application to the maroons to assist him in making a dividing-fence, which he has not yet been able to obtain :

“ That, from this circumstance, the petitioner is obliged to throw up the whole of these grounds, to the material injury of himself and slaves, although the land is the best and most contiguous for that purpose :

“ That



" That the petitioner is of opinion, their half of the dividing-fence of dry stone wall will not amount to more than 150*l*."

And praying for relief:

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Quarrell, and Mr. Stewart; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of John Fry, of the parish of St. Catherine, architect, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

" That the petitioner contracted for certain bricklayers and masons work to be done at the out-offices of the king's house; and, among other things, the following note is annexed to the printed estimate for which the petitioner contracted; *viz.* ' The old bricks, such as are good, to be made use of by the workman in the new building: '

" That in consequence of such contract, the petitioner proceeded to comply with his part of it; but was prevented by the late governor from making use of the old bricks, stipulated in the contract; because, had the old out-offices been taken down agreeable to contract, his excellency must have been put to the want of proper domestic accommodations until the new offices could be completed, or otherwise to have made the government pen his principal place of residence:

" That the petitioner has, from these causes, and to comply with his contract, been obliged to purchase 147,000 new bricks more than contracted for, at the rate of 52*s.* 6*d.* *per* 1000, being 385*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* which he would not have had occasion to purchase, had he been allowed to make use of the old bricks agreeable to his contract: Number of bricks in the new offices, 367,000; "

And praying for relief.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*Dr.* For 147,000 of new bricks, at 52*s.* 6*d.* *per* M.

*Cr.* For 147,000 old bricks, at 20*s.* *per* M.

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Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to Mr. Batty, Mr. Murray, and Mr. Lewis; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of the freeholders and others, inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew and Kingston, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

" That the sea had raised a bank or bar at the mouth of the Ferry river, so as to stop entirely the passage of the petitioners flats, canoes, &c. carrying grass, stones, wood, white-lime, &c. to Kingston and Port-Royal:

" That the petitioners are therefore under the necessity of digging a canal from the river to Hunt's Bay, which will cost upwards of 2000*l.* a sum which they cannot afford to pay; "

And praying for relief;

And a motion being made, and the question put, that the said petition be rejected;

It passed in the negative :

Ordered, That the said petition do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to explain and amend an act entitled, " An act to regulate the militia ; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia ; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war ; and for other purposes ;"

Ordered, That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Batty, Mr. Swaby, and Mr. Galbraith, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

Ordered, That the clerk appointed by the commissioners for forts, fortifications, and public buildings, do forthwith lay before the house an account of all monies voted, and disbursements made, on account of every grant made, or to be made, for the use of his majesty's forts, fortifications, and public buildings, and for the rebuilding or repairing barracks in this island.

A member, in his place, laid before the house an account of the expenditure of the monies granted for the Bath hospital :

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Akman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

Sabbati, 22<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

THE engrossed bill to entitle Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, of the parish of Port-Royal, free quadroons, the reputed children of Richard Young, late of the same parish, mariner, deceased, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island ; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices ; and for applying the same to several uses :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

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Mr. Grant took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Grant, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

And then Mr. Grant acquainted the house, the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, on Tuesday morning next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

A petition of certain freeholders and others, inhabitants of the parish of St. Catherine, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in 1791, the house granted 200*l.* towards repairing the road leading from the Spanish-Town bridge into the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, across the mountains; which has been expended thereon, and hath proved inadequate:

“ That the said road is the nearest communication between the St. Catherine’s hills, the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, the government mountain, and the town of St. Jago de la Vega, when the Rio-Cobre is out, and the Sixteen-Mile-Walk bridge overflowed;”

And praying for relief:

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

The house being informed, that the clerk appointed by the commissioners for forts, fortifications, and public buildings, attended at the door, he was called in, and, at the bar, according to order, delivered an account of all monies voted, and disbursements made, on account of every grant made, or to be made, for the use of his majesty’s forts, fortifications, and public buildings, and for the rebuilding and repairing barracks in this island;

And then he withdrew:

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Paris, 25<sup>o</sup> die Novembrijs, 1794.

ORDERED, That the two following messages be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

*First message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to lay before the house a copy of his majesty's late order respecting the rank of the militia in the West-India islands, with your honour's construction of such order, so far as relates to the rank of the officers of the militia, when serving with the regulars in detachment."

*Second message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to lay before the house a list of all the commissions granted to the officers of the militia in this island, and of warrants granted to gunners and quarter-gunners of forts, since the 1st day of January, 1791."

Ordered, That Mr. Fitch and Mr. Stewart be a committee to wait on his honour with the above messages; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Ordered, That Mr. Quarrell and Mr. Thompson be a committee to carry the engrossed bills of Friday and Saturday last to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-Hill road, at the fig-tree in Olyphant's Lane, in the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll to be raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed. and that the title be, "An act for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-Hill road, at Dry-River, in the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid."

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The resolution moved in the house on the 18th instant, that the receiver-general do purchase, for the use of the house, six copies of the Laws of Jamaica (bound in Morocco leather), published by authority by Alexander Aikman, and that this house will make good the expence thereof, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Mr. Chief-Justice, according to order, presented to the house a bill to enable Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, in the county of Surrey, gentleman, to practise as an attorney, solicitor, and proctor, of the several courts in this island; and to authorize and enable the judges of the supreme court of judicature to permit the said Alexander Murray to take the usual oaths for that purpose, notwithstanding an act of this island, entitled, "An act for the further regulation of solicitors and attorneys at law, practising in the several courts in this island;" which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A petition of Duncan Frazer, late deputy-marshal of the court of vice-admiralty, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the petitioner, in the execution of his office as deputy-marshal of the court of vice-admiralty, has expended several sums of money in executing warrants, and other matters to him directed, as stated in the annexed account, amounting to 57*l.* 10*s.*"

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XII.*

A petition of Peter Chisholm, late deputy-marshal for Kingston, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the petitioner, in the execution of his office as deputy-marshal for Kingston, has advanced several sums of money for the maintenance of prisoners confined in Kingston gaol for debt, from 1st October, 1793, to the 10th February, 1794, as stated in the annexed account;"

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XIII.*

A petition of George French, solicitor for the crown, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the petitioner, by virtue of his office, prosecuted, defended, and carried on, divers suits at law on the part of the crown, for the year 1794; and, in the course of such proceedings, has recovered and paid into the treasury many considerable sums of money: That the petitioner hath caused a just and true account of the charges and expences attending such suits to be hereto annexed, amounting to 143*l.* 1*s.* 4½*d.* the charges whereof are conformable to a resolution of the house, in a convention in the year 1772;"

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XIV.*

Ordered, That the above three petitions and accounts be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from Berkshire-Hall estate, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, to Hermon-Hill estate, in the parish of St. Mary, is one of the most public roads in the island :

“ That the said road is at present supported by allotments from the said parishes : which, although very heavy on the inhabitants, are found inadequate for the purpose of keeping the same in repair :

“ That the persons principally interested in the said road are willing to advance considerable sums of money towards making it perfectly easy, safe, and good, but are unable to accomplish the same without further assistance from the house ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of several freeholders and inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from Maiden-Hall gate to Nancy-Gully, near Halifax works, in the parish of St. Mary, is a great road of communication, and of much public utility :

“ That a great part of the said road stands much in need of repair, to render it easy and safe for travellers, and which cannot be effected by the usual method of assessment under the highway law :

“ That no public money having been applied for or granted towards the repairing the said road, the petitioners conceive they are now well entitled to the favour of the house ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of divers freeholders of the parishes of Trelawny and St. James was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the present road from Trelawny, and the eastern part of St. James, to that part of St. Elizabeth where the principal pens are situated, is exceedingly circuitous, and therefore of little use to the parishes aforesaid :

“ That if a road was opened from Atherton’s pen, to strike into the Eldersley road, a distance only of between six and seven miles, upwards of twenty miles of the distance would be saved, and thereby great part of the country highly benefited :

“ That the proposed road would open a tract of wood-land, of known fertility for provisions, and would carry within one mile of the most considerable maroon-town in the island :

“ That liberal subscriptions are proposed to be made by several individuals, in order to render the proposed road wainable ; but they will not be sufficient to complete it ;”

And



And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above three petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, on behalf of himself and of Milbrough, his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner, his wife, and said children, have severally been baptized, and such of their said children as have attained an age competent to receive instruction have been educated and instructed in the principles of the Christian religion, in the communion of the church of England as by law established; and it is the intention of the petitioner to bring up the younger of his children in the like manner :

“ That the petitioner and his said wife have been brought up in a reputable and industrious manner, and being possessed of considerable property in this island, have the means of providing liberally for their said children, so as to enable them to live creditably, and to be useful members of society ;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in for granting to the petitioner, his wife, and their said several children, the same privileges as have been heretofore granted to persons in similar circumstances :”

Ordered, That the consideration of the above petition be referred to Mr. Grant, Mr. Batty, and Mr. Foulks; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of John Gasket being offered to the house ;

And a motion being made, that the said petition be rejected ;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A petition of the proprietors and inhabitants of part of the country called Mile-Gully, being offered to the house ;

And a motion being made, that the said petition be rejected ;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A member, in his place, laid before the house an account of the expenditure of the monies granted by the house for the use of the Kingston hospital :

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A motion

A motion being made, that the committee of the whole house, to whom any of the money-bills stands committed, do receive a clause for paying the sum of 1500*l.* to the order of the treasurer of the public hospital, in the town of Kingston; and that the treasurer for the time being do account to this house for the expenditure thereof, early in the next session;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house sundry papers; of which the following is a list:

- No. 1. Report of the commissioners of Montego-Bay fort, with sundry accounts and letters relating thereto.  
 2. Memorial of William Dance, esquire.  
 3. Memorial of lieutenant William Belford.  
 4. Memorials of general Horneck and lieutenant Blackwell.  
 5. Memorial of the commanding officers of corps stationed in Jamaica.  
 6. Estimate of the expence of keeping the island arms clean and in repair.  
 7. John Henderson's account.

“ All which his honour recommends to the consideration of the house, particularly the memorial of William Dance, esquire.”

No. 2.

*To his honour major-general ADAM WILLIAMSON, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of Jamaica, and its dependencies, &c. &c. &c.*

*The memorial of WILLIAM DANCE,*

*Sheweth,*

That your memorialist, in consequence of your honour's appointment to him directed, bearing date the 2d November, 1793, desiring him to place in quarantine, and superintend, all vessels arriving from the river Delaware, until such time as a favourable report of the state of health of the crews of such vessels was made to your honour, immediately took upon himself the charge:

That your memorialist, feeling the consequence of the trust reposed in him, and being fearful lest sickness or any other circumstance might prevent him from strictly attending to his duty, was induced to appoint Mr. Dickson as his assistant or deputy:

That your honour is the best judge whether the duty of the situation entrusted to your memorialist was faithfully performed:

That the great expence of boat-hire, and the fatigue necessarily attending the duties of the office, being obliged, by himself or deputy, to board every vessel arriving prior to their anchoring at Port-Royal, induces your memorialist to hope, that the charges in the account hereunto annexed will not be considered as exorbitant, and that the same may meet your honour's approbation;

And your memorialist, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

WILLIAM DANCE.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

	To WILLIAM DANCE,	Dr.	
1794, Nov. 2.	To the hire of a boat and four negroes, from 2d November,	l.	s.
(1793).	1793, to this day	140	0
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	L.	s.
To expences attending different expresses sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, as directed - -	25	0
To salary for self and deputy, as inspector of all vessels, arriving from America, that it may be considered necessary to lay in quarantine, for one year - -	280	0
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No. 3.

*To his honour the lieutenant-governor, &c. &c. &c.*

*The memorial of lieutenant WILLIAM BELFORD, 13th regiment, aid-du-camp, Humbly sheweth,*

That your memorialist solicits your honour will be pleased to lay before the honourable house of assembly his request, to be allowed the island pay and lodging-money usually granted to your honour's aid-du-camp.

And your memorialist, &c. &c. &c.

WILLIAM BELFORD,  
*Aid-du-camp.*

*Jamaica, Nov. 24th, 1794.*

No. 4.

*To his honour major-general WILLIAMSON, commander in chief, Jamaica, &c. &c. &c.*

*The memorial of brigadier-general HORNECK,*

*Sheweth,*

That your memorialist was on the staff of this island, as brigadier-general, from the 17th May to the 6th September, 1794:

Your memorialist therefore prays your honour will be pleased to move the honourable the house of assembly, to direct payment to be made him of the sum of 61*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* as lodging-money for the above period, at the rate of 200*l.* *per ann.* being the sum formerly allowed brigadier-generals in this island:

Which is submitted.

C. HORNECK,  
*Brigadier-general.*

*Spanish-Town, 6 Sept. 1794.*

*To his honour major-general WILLIAMSON, commander in chief, Jamaica, &c. &c. &c.*

*The memorial of lieutenant JAMES BLACKWELL, major of brigade,*

*Sheweth,*

That your memorialist was major of brigade to brigadier-general Horneck, from the 17th May to the 6th September, 1794:

Your memorialist therefore prays your honour will be pleased to move the honourable the house of assembly, to direct payment to be made him of the sum of 15*l.* 9*s.* 7*d.* as lodging-money for the above period, at the rate of 50*l.* *per ann.* being the sum allowed majors of brigade in this island:

Which is submitted.

JAMES BLACKWELL,  
*Major of brigade.*

*Spanish-Town, 6 Sept. 1794.*





# VOTES OF THE ASSEMBLY.

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<i>Jan.</i>	18. Wharfage and freight, as above, 10 chests ammunition, at 7s. 6d.—and carriage to Spanish-Town, at 5s. -	6	5	0
	31. Hire of three waggons, bringing from Spanish-Town to Port-Henderfon 2 royal howitzers, with carriages, limbers, &c. complete, and 21 chests ammunition - -	7	10	0
<i>Feb.</i>	1. Wharfage and freight, to Fort-Charles, the above howitzers, at 50s.—and chests ammunition, at 7s. 6d. -	10	7	6
<i>April</i>	29. Wharfage and freight, from Fort-Charles to Port-Henderfon, 101 ammunition-boxes, at 2s. 6d. - -	12	12	6
	Hire of 2 waggons, carrying ditto to Spanish-Town -	5	0	0
<i>June</i>	27. Wharfage and freight, from Fort-Charles to Port-Henderfon, 22 chests ammunition, at 7s. 6d. - -	8	5	0
	Carriage of ditto to Spanish-Town, at 5s. -	5	10	0
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I do hereby certify, that the work charged in the above account was done and performed for the public of Jamaica, by John Henderfon, esquire, his servants, cattle, and waggons. Given under my hand, this 21st day of November, 1794.

ADAM DOLMAGE, *island store-keeper.*

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me William M<sup>r</sup>Robbie, who made oath, that he believes the above account to be just, and the charges reasonable.

WILLIAM M<sup>r</sup>ROBBIE.

Sworn before me, this 22d Nov. 1794.

WM. BULLOCK.

Ordered, That No. 1, of the papers sent down with the above message, do lie on the table, to be perused by the members:

Ordered, That No. 2, 3, 4, and 5, of the papers sent down with the above message, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island:

Ordered, That No. 6 and 7, of the papers sent down with the said message, be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

*Percurit,*

Mercurii, 26<sup>o</sup> die Novembriis, 1794.

**Papers.** **T**HE engrossed bill for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-Hill road, at Dry-River, in the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The bill to enable Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, in the county of Surrey, gentleman, to practise as an attorney, solicitor, and proctor, of the several courts in this island; and to authorize and enable the judges of the supreme court of judicature to permit the said Alexander Murray to take the usual oaths for that purpose, notwithstanding an act of this island, entitled, "An act for the further regulation of solicitors and attorneys at law, practising in the several courts in this island," was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to enable Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, in the county of Surrey, gentleman, to practise as an attorney, solicitor, and proctor, of the several courts in this island; and to authorize and enable the judges of the supreme court of judicature to permit the said Alexander Murray to take the usual oaths for that purpose, notwithstanding an act of this island, entitled, 'An act for the further regulation of solicitors and attorneys at law, practising in the several courts in this island.'"

Mr. Henckell, according to order, presented to the house a bill to authorize and empower the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Clarendon, for the time being, to manumize and set free a mulatto woman slave named Molly Matthews, and her four children, named John, Jenny, Edward, and Susanna; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Grant, from the committee to whom the petition of John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, on behalf of himself and of Milbrough his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Grant, Mr. Batty, and Mr. Fouiks, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

A petition of Henry Burgefs, of the parish of St. George, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That



“ That the petitioner having lost his eye-sight by a stroke of the sun, when on military duty, in the year 1792, did, in the last session, petition the house for relief in the premises therein stated :

“ That the house thereupon granted him 50*l.* as a relief ;”

And praying for further relief.

A petition of Edmund Pusey March, superintendant of Scott's Hall, in the parish of St. Mary, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner is obliged by law to reside constantly in the town of which he is superintendant :

“ That the sum of twenty pounds *per ann.* annually allowed heretofore to the superintendant of the said town, is very inadequate to procure the petitioner lodgings therein, by reason that it would cost him a considerable sum to put into repair, proper for his reception, any house that he may hire in the said town :

“ That the houses in the said town are the property of individuals, and notwithstanding their uncomfortable and unaccommodating state, the petitioner is under the necessity of paying a greater rent for the one in which he resides than the said annual sum allowed him for lodging-money can afford ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of John Sanders, carpenter, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That in the months of August and November, 1793, the petitioner, being employed about the king's house, found that, by frequent showers of rain, some part of the leaden guttering was in a leaky condition, whereby the walls were subject to much injury ; and that, at those periods, the surveyor of public works was in an ill state of health, and absent :

“ That the petitioner, in behalf of the said surveyor, undertook to get such parts of the said guttering repaired by Robert Haylett, in order to avoid any injury that might otherwise happen to the building ; for which the petitioner has paid the said Robert Haylett 16*l.* as *per* his account and receipt annexed ;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XV.*

Ordered, That the above three petitions and account be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

A petition of David Dickson was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner hath published, in the St. Jago Gazette, sundry advertisements, and hath also supplied sundry articles of stationery for the public service, as appears by the annexed account ;”

And praying for relief:

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XVI.*

Ordered, That the above petition and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of several of the parishioners of Clarendon was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from the division of the parishes of Clarendon and St. Dorothy is in the parish of St. Dorothy :

“ That the said road being entirely out of the track of any produce from the said parish of St. Dorothy, leads the inhabitants thereof to be entirely disinterested in the condition of the said road :

“ That the parochial allotment allowed by the said parish of St. Dorothy, for the repair of the said road, is small and very inadequate, inasmuch that the said road is scarcely passable in wet weather, and attended with great loss of stock in the carriage of produce :

“ That, from the local situation of Long’s wharf to the general settlers in Clarendon, and from the said road being much used in the communication between the leeward shipping-places and Kingston, renders an amendment to said road highly requisite for the public benefit;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders, and other the inhabitants, of the parish of Clarendon was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road commonly called the Cave-River-Barrack road is the nearest of communication to Spanish-Town and Kingston, from the parishes of St. Ann, Trelawny, and St. James :

“ That so much of the said road as is within the limits of the parish of Clarendon is, from the nature of its soil, and want of repairs, scarcely passable in the driest weather :

“ That on the said road there are but few settlers, and no allotment :

“ That hitherto there have been no grants from the house on account of the said road;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of Kingston, St. Mary, and St. George, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the house, in the last session, granted a sum of money for the road leading from Kingston, over the Mahoe-Hill, to Annotta-Bay; which, although frugally expended, has proved insufficient for the purpose intended;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew, Portland, and St. George, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the house, in 1791, granted 500*l.* for the purpose of making a road from Kingston to Annotto-Bay, through the valuable, though uncultivated, tract of land that lies between Ryan’s Mountain, in St. Andrew’s, and Fort-Stewart estate, in St. George’s; and which road opens a communication between Kingston and the north side of the county of Surrey, whereby the dangerous fordings of the Wagwater river are avoided:

“ That the said grant has proved insufficient, and, without further assistance, must be totally lost:

“ That the said road, when completed, will be of much public utility;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew, St. George, Portland, St. David, and Port-Royal, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the monies granted by the house for making a road of communication between the last fording of Buff-Bay river, in the parish of St. George, to Silver-Hill, in the parish of St. Andrew, have been laid out with the greatest economy; but the difficulties which have been surmounted, and the smallness of the last grant, have prevented the entire completion of the road:

“ That there remains a small part to be made, to form the junction between the two ends of the said road; but considerable labour will be necessary to clear and widen it, which cannot be done without the assistance of the house;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of certain freeholders and other inhabitants of the several parishes of St. George, St. Andrew, and Portland, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road from Buff-Bay, in the parish of St. George, through the parish of St. Andrew, to Kingston, has been executed in a very able manner, and has been found to be of great public utility, inasmuch as it has opened a new country, and is generally made use of as the shortest and easiest road from Portland, and the centre of St. George’s, to Kingston:

“ That the soil of the lands through which the said road runs is in general extremely fertile, and peculiarly well adapted to coffee; in consequence of which, the settlements are becoming numerous; but that great expence and inconvenience arise to the settlers, from the narrowness of the said road, which precludes them from the use of wheel-carriages, for the purpose of conveying their produce to market;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. George was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That



“ That the petitioners are settling coffee-walks on the banks of Buff-Bay river, the east and west branches of Spanish-River and Swift-River :

“ That a road through the woods, from Bybrook to Bachelor's Hall, would open a communication in the interior parts of the country between all their settlements, and which would be of essential service in case of danger, and would present a free access from Charles-Town and the sea-side estates to the uncultivated parts of the Blue Mountains :

“ That, without the assistance of the house, they cannot accomplish so desirable a purpose ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders, and other the inhabitants, of the parish of St. Andrew was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That a new road has been lately laid out from Mount-Airy, in the parish of St. Andrew, to form a junction with a new road leading from Fort-Stewart, in the parish of St. George, to the boundary of the said parish of St. Andrew :

“ That the said road, when completed, will be of great utility to the inhabitants of St. Andrew, Kingston, and St. George, by forming a more easy communication between those several parishes ; and also to the public in general, by passing through a large tract of uncultivated land, and thereby be an inducement to persons to become settlers :

“ That the assessment under the highway law is, by reason of the inhabitants of the neighbourhood being few in number, inadequate to the purpose of making and keeping the said road in repair ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parishes of St. David and St. Thomas in the East was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That a road leading from Yallahs-River, fronting Cocoa-Walk gate, through Richmond settlement, and from thence to Monkland, at the head of Blue-Mountain-Valley, is now become very public, as it is upwards of twenty miles shorter from Kingston than going through the king's road, and is the only road of communication from Monkland and Richmond to church and market :

“ That the said road is at present very dangerous for travellers, and the petitioners are unable to repair the same, without the aid of the house :

“ That the said road is very necessary, as it opens an inland communication, not only to the upper part of Blue-Mountain-Valley, but gives access to the mountains of St. Thomas in the East and St. David, where there are large tracts of uncultivated land ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That

“ That the road leading from the first fording on Great-Negro river, above Mount-Lebanus works, through Monkland plantation, to Belle-View settlement, being part of the road leading through Liguanea mountains to Hope-River, is extremely dangerous for travellers; and that, to repair the same, more money will be necessary than the petitioners can afford to advance :

“ That the said road is become very public and necessary, as it opens an inland communication, not only through the mountainous parts of the parishes of St. David, Port-Royal, and St. Andrew, but also to the north, as far as Buff-Bay ;”

And praying for relief ;

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from Petersfield estate, in Blue-Mountain-Valley, over Coffey-Hill, to Eolus-Valley estate, in the parish of St. David, is a most useful road of communication with the interior part of the country ; and, as such, was particularly the object of an act of the legislature of this island, passed many years ago, for keeping it up; but, notwithstanding the annual parochial grants, and the private exertions of individuals who have contributed for its support, it is at present unsafe for travellers ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from Sunning-Hill estate, near Bath, to Spring estate, in Blue-Mountain-Valley, is a road of communication of the greatest utility :

“ That the said road is not perfectly completed ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of sundry inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East, in behalf of themselves and the settlers upon a run of land called Clark's River Run, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That several new settlements are now forming on the said run of land, and the petitioners have expended considerable sums of money in making a road from Stanton-River to their different settlements ; notwithstanding which, and the allotment upon the said road, they find themselves unable to keep the same in repair, from the nature of the country, and the frequent heavy rains :

“ That the said road is now dangerous for persons passing over it, and is in a direct line of communication from Morant-Bay to the cross-country road leading from Plantain-Garden-River, and the town of Bath, to Blue-Mountain-Valley, and from thence through the mountains of St. David and New Liguanea, to Kingston :

“ That a grant of 300*l.* from the house, together with the annual allotment, may, in the opinion of the petitioners, put the said road into good repair ;”

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And

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above thirteen petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Hyem Cohen, of the parish of St. Elizabeth, merchant, and Lewis Goodin Senior, an infant under the age of twenty-one years, by Samuel Dellap, of the parish of Westmorland, esquire, the lawful attorney in this island of James Gale Senior, late of the parish of St. Elizabeth, esquire, the father and natural guardian of the said Lewis Goodin Senior, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, by indenture bearing date the 1st of July, 1787, and made between the said James Gale Senior and Lætitia his wife of the one part, and George Robert Goodin, of the parish of Westmorland, esquire, of the other part, the said James Gale Senior and Lætitia his wife, for the limiting, settling, and assuring the lands, tenements, and hereditaments therein mentioned, to the uses therein expressed, granted and conveyed to the said George Robert Goodin, his heirs and assigns, all that plot, piece, or parcel of land, in St. Elizabeth's, known by the name of Tim's Hill, containing 145 acres, to have and to hold the same unto the said George Robert Goodin, his heirs and assigns, upon trust, for the use and behoof of the said James Gale Senior and Lætitia his wife, for and during their joint lives, and, after the decease of either of them, to and for the use of the survivor during life, and, after the decease of such survivor, for the use and behoof of Lewis Gale Senior, eldest son of the said James Gale Senior and Lætitia his wife, and the first and other sons of his body lawfully begotten, in tail male successively, and in remainder one after another, as they shall be in seniority of age and priority of birth; and, after the determination of that estate, upon trust, to and for the use and behoof of the second and other sons of the said James Gale Senior, in like manner, according to their seniority of age; and, after the determination of that estate, then in trust, to and for the only proper use and behoof of the right heirs of the said James Gale Senior for ever; and to and for no other use or purpose whatsoever :

“ That although the said George Robert Goodin is named as a trustee in the said indenture, yet the same was done without his knowledge, and he is desirous of being discharged from the said trust, and is willing to consent to any measure that may be adopted for that purpose :

“ That the petitioner Lewis Goodin Senior was, at the time of the execution of the said indenture, the eldest son of the said James Gale Senior, and, although named in the said indenture Lewis Gale Senior, was the person intended to take the benefit under the same, and such misnomer arose from the petitioner not being baptized at the time, but which hath been since done, and the petitioner received the name of Lewis Goodin Senior :

“ That, by indenture dated 11th July, 1791, and made between the said James Gale Senior and Lætitia his wife of the one part, and the said Hyem Cohen of the other part, the said James Gale Senior and Lætitia his wife granted and conveyed their life-estate in the before-mentioned premises to the said Hyem Cohen :

“ That the lands and premises are very barren and unproductive; and the petitioner Hyem Cohen is willing to dispose of his estate and interest therein; and it will be greatly  
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for the benefit of the petitioner Lewis Goodin Senior to have the said premises sold as speedily as possible :

“ That, by such sale, a sum of money may be raised for the petitioner Lewis Goodin Senior, which, if invested in the public funds of Great-Britain, would afford an annual interest towards his support and maintenance, and greatly assist in his education during his minority ;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave to bring in a bill for the purpose of vesting the said lands and premises in trustees and their heirs, in trust, to sell the same, and to vest such part of the money, arising by or from such sale, as shall be coming to the petitioner Lewis Goodin Senior, in the public funds in Great-Britain, for the benefit of the petitioner Lewis Goodin Senior :”

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Swaby, Mr. Ellis, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Murray, and Mr. Lewis ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house ; and that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine all persons that shall come before them in the most solemn manner.

A petition of Sarah Spraggs, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free quadroon woman, on behalf of herself and of her several children, free mustees, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner is possessed of property acquired by her industry, and that she has three children, mustees, named Edmund Baillie Lamoin, the son of Edmund Lamoin, gentleman, and Anthony Duart and Sarah Duart, the children of Anthony Duart, of Port-Royal, gentleman, who have been all baptized, and brought up in the principles of the Christian religion ; and the petitioner intends that they shall be well educated :

“ That the said Anthony Duart is possessed of a considerable property, which he intends leaving to his said reputed children, and thereby they will be placed in a more respectable footing than people of colour are in general ; but, from the unfortunate circumstance of their births, they are subject to the same pains and penalties as persons of colour who have neither property nor education ;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in for granting to the petitioner, and her said several children, the same privileges as have heretofore been granted to persons in the same situation :”

Ordered, That the consideration of the above petition be referred to Mr. Christie, Mr. Fuller, and Mr. Ellis ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of John Dod and Dorothy his wife, late Dorothy Hardwar, widow, executrix of John Hardwar, deceased, being offered to the house ;

Resolved, That the said petition be rejected.

A message from the council, by their clerk, as follows :

“ MR.

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they desire a conference with the house on the state of the revenue; and, if the house agree thereto, the council have appointed two of their board to meet a committee of the house, in the council-chamber, immediately:”

Resolved, That the house do agree to the conference desired by the council in the above message:

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Tasler, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Murray, Mr. Batty, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Grant, and Mr. Fitch, be a committee to manage the said conference:

Ordered, That the following message be sent to the council:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

“ We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they agree to the conference desired by your honours on the state of the revenue, and have appointed a committee to meet the committee of your board, in the council-chamber, immediately.”

Ordered, That Mr. Quarrell and Mr. Cockburn be a committee to carry the above message, and also the engrossed bill of this day, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Jobis, 27<sup>o</sup> die Februarij, 1794.

**Prayers.** THE engrossed bill to enable Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, in the county of Surrey, gentleman, to practise as an attorney, solicitor, and proctor, of the several courts in this island; and to authorize and empower the judges of the supreme court of judicature to permit the said Alexander Murray to take the usual oaths for that purpose, notwithstanding an act of this island, entitled, “ An act for the further regulation of solicitors and attorneys at law, practising in the several courts in this island,” was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

A message from the council, by their clerk, as follows:

“ MR.

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they agree to the bill entitled, 'An act to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned,' with the following amendments:"

In the 15th line from the top of the first sheet, after the word "ninety," *dele* the word "two," and, in place thereof, insert the word "one."

In the 2d line from the top of the same sheet, after the word "ninety," *dele* the word "two," and, in place thereof, insert the word "one."

In the 4th line from the bottom of the second sheet, *dele* the words, "after deducting the usual commissions and charges."

In the 3d line from the bottom of the same sheet, after the word, "sales," insert the following words, "after deducting the usual commissions and charges."

In the 2d line from the top of the 5th sheet, after the word "ninety," *dele* the word "two," and, in place thereof, insert the word "one."

Resolved, That the house do agree to the amendments proposed by the council to the said bill:

Ordered, That the following message be sent to the council:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

"We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they agree to the amendments proposed by your honours to the bill entitled, 'An act to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned;' and have amended the bill accordingly:"

Ordered, That Mr. Redwood and Mr. Halsted be a committee to carry the above message and engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Mr. Batty, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, and Milbrough his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The bill to authorize and empower the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Clarendon, for the time being, to manumize and set free a mulatto woman slave named Molly Matthews, and her four children, named John, Jenny, Edward, and Susanna, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to authorize and empower the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Clarendon, for the time being, to manumize and set free a mulatto woman slave named Molly Matthews, and her four children, named John, Jenny, Edward, and Susanna."

Mr. Swaby, from the committee to whom the petition of Hyem Cohen, of the parish of



St. Elizabeth, merchant, and Lewis Goodin Senior, an infant under the age of twenty-one years, by Samuel Dellap, of the parish of Westmorland, esquire, the lawful attorney in this island of James Gale Senior, late of the parish of St. Elizabeth, esquire, the father and natural guardian of the said Lewis Goodin Senior, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and taking into consideration the advantages that will result to the infant by the sale of the property therein mentioned, and George Robert Goodin, the trustee therein named, having signified his consent by letter, the committee recommend to the house to give leave for a bill to be brought in agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Then Mr. Swaby, in his place, presented to the house a bill for vesting in trustees a certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the parish of St. Elizabeth, and to enable the said trustees to sell the same, for the purposes therein mentioned; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Christie, from the committee to whom the petition of Sarah Spraggs, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free quadroon woman, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Christie, Mr. Fuller, and Mr. Ellis, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

Mr. Chief-Justice, from the committee appointed to meet a committee of the council, in a conference on the state of the revenue, reported, that the committees had met, and that the chairman of the committee of the council had delivered to him two papers; which being read, are as follows:

*“ Reasons to be given to the assembly, why the board have desired a conference on the state of the revenue.*

“ The council have desired this conference with the house, in order that the house may be fully apprized of the amount of the several charges affecting his majesty's revenue, as well those particularly specified in the revenue act passed in the year 1728, as other the ordinary and contingent charges thereon, and of the inadequate proportion which the sum of 8000*l.* appropriable by virtue of that act for the discharge thereof, has ever borne, and still bears, to such amount.

“ We are directed therefore to acquaint the house, that the amount of the several charges, so specially set forth and limited in the estimate annexed to the said act, do amount annually to the sum of 5048*l.* 15*s.* that the several charges and expences which have ever heretofore been, and continually henceforth are likely to be, ordinarily incurred, are computed, from the experience of former years, to amount to the sum of 3828*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* which two sums make together the sum of 8877*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* annually requisite to supply the specified and ordinarily

dinarily recurring demands on the revenue. We are also to acquaint the house, that in respect of the several contingent charges which do not regularly or ordinarily arise, but from their nature depend on occasional or accidental circumstances, and are therefore incapable of being ascertained with any real precision, the council have not stated any sum as either adequate or insufficient to answer such contingencies, but have taken the sum of 568*l.* 15*s.* as it stands in the estimate annexed to the revenue act, as the fund destined to such purposes; declaring at the same time, they are not without apprehensions, that the same may be found (particularly under the existing pressure of the times) inadequate to the purposes which the duty of the board, and the just expectation of a due exertion of it, may call on them to answer.

“ The council have commanded us to present to the house a statement of the various charges on the revenue, as they have actually heretofore occurred, representing in figures and letters the particulars of what is before alledged; and they have directed us to communicate to the house, that some considerable addition to the amount of the revenue, as it now stands limited by the said revenue act, appears to the board to be absolutely requisite, to insure the justice as well as the credit and dignity of the board, in its department of administering to the exigencies of the civil government, which are to be made good at their hands; and they trust the same spirit with which they are moved to desire this conference may also be cherished by the house, that some expedient may be adopted by both to provide, on the one hand, such suitable fund to be appropriated by the board as may be adequate to what may be expected from them, and, on the other, lay a lasting foundation for that good correspondence which ought always to subsist between the two branches of the legislature, for the honour and dignity of both.

## “ CHARGES ON THE REVENUE.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
To the captain-general's salary - - - - -				2500	0	0
To the forts and fortifications - - - - -				1250	0	0
To the chief justice's salary - - - - -				120	0	0
To the officers and gunners of Fort-Charles; viz.						
To the captain, at 6 <i>s.</i> <i>per diem</i> - - - - -	109	10	0			
To the lieutenant, at 4 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> <i>per diem</i> - - - - -	82	2	6			
To twelve matrosses in actual service, at 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> each <i>per</i> day, to be inhabitants of Port-Royal, and continually residing there, and not to be enlisted in either of the independent companies - - - - -	547	10	0			
To the armourer - - - - -	40	0	0			
For water - - - - -	24	0	0	803	2	6
To the captain of the train in Spanish-Town - - - - -				45	12	6
To the auditor-general, 150 <i>l.</i> sterling, at 40 <i>per cent.</i> exchange				210	0	0
To the waiter's salary - - - - -				120	0	0
To several ordinary charges; viz.						
The attorney-general's salary - - - - -	400	0	0			
The clerk of the council, ordinary salary, 270						
ditto extraordinary do. 420—690		0	0			
The provost-marshal, ordinary salary, 250						
ditto extraordinary do. 200—450		0	0			
The clerk of the crown - - - - -	250	0	0			
The clerk of the chancery, for preparing and issuing writs						
Carried forward - - - - -	2593	2	6	5048	15	0

of

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Brought forward - - - -	2593	2	6	5048	15	0
of election at a general and intermediate elections, at an average of seven writs in each year - -		8	15	0		
The provost-marshal, for executing ditto at ditto - -		35	0	0		
The deputy-marshals, for prisoners in the three counties - -		240	0	0		
To other charges and expences; <i>viz.</i>						
The deputy-marshals, for publishing procla- mations - - - - -		50	0	0		
The secretary's office, for preparing procla- mations, &c. - - - - -		79	0	0		
The printer's accounts - - - - -		175	13	4		
The chaplain to the council, for salary - - - -		100	0	0		
The public messenger, ditto - - - - -		500	0	0		
For public entertainments to governors, &c. on their entering into government, ave- raged - - - - -		400	0	0		
The officers, for extra sessions - - - - -		450	0	0	1754	13 4
Contingent charges <i>per annum</i> - - - - -					568	15 0
					9445	18 4
The receiver-general's commission on 9445 <i>l.</i> 18 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> at 5 <i>per cent.</i> -					472	5 10
					9918	4 2"

Ordered, That the above papers do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Mr. Murray, from the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the committee had examined the account of Samuel Bell, practitioner in physic and surgery, at Savanna-la-Mar, for medicines and attendance on the poor prisoners in the county-gaol of Cornwall, amounting to 82*l.* and an account of medicines for a detachment of the 16th regiment, amounting to 10*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* and are of opinion, that he should be paid 92*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* in full of the said two accounts :

That they had also examined the petition of doctor Francis Rigby Brodbelt, and are of opinion, he should be paid the sum of 100*l.* for his attendance as physician to the gaol of St. Jago de la Vega, and for medicines administered to the poor prisoners therein :

That they had also examined the account of Mess. Leigh and Younger, for the carriage of guns to Lucca, amounting to 25*l.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of Thomas Alves, late deputy-marshal at Montego-Bay, for the maintenance of poor prisoners in the gaol there, amounting to 54*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of William Bryan, for the hire of a wherry and five negroes attending the 20th regiment of foot, from 7th September, 1792, to 7th June, 1793, amounting to 205*l.* 10*s.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That



That they had also examined the account of George Atkinson, secretary of the island, for copying and attesting laws, and other business of his office, amounting to 96*l.* 4*s.* 4½*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of George French, solicitor for the crown, for business done in that department, amounting to 143*l.* 1*s.* 4½*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of William Smart, printer, for printing business done for the board of works, amounting to 12*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* and are of opinion the same should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of doctor James Walker, physician to the gaol of Kingston, for medicines supplied the poor prisoners therein, amounting to 214*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* which, with 100*l.* allowed as a salary, amounting together to 314*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of Peter Chisholm, late deputy-marshal and keeper of the county-gaol of Surrey, for maintenance of prisoners confined for debt, amounting to 47*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of Duncan Frazer, late deputy-marshal of the court of vice-admiralty, for taking care of prisoners, &c. amounting to 57*l.* 10*s.* and are of opinion the same should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of John Henderfon, for wharfage and wainage of arms and ammunition, amounting to 62*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of Robert Shawe, for drawing contracts relative to the light dragoons, amounting to 21*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of William Walker, deputy-register of the court of vice-admiralty and clerk of the arraigns, amounting to 57*l.* 10*s.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the petition of Thomas Craikell, superintendant of Trelawny-Town, for lodging-money; and are of opinion he should be allowed 50*l.* for that purpose :

That they had also examined the account of John Henderfon, for wharfage, boat-hire, and wainage, of fundry articles for the light dragoons, amounting to 84*l.* 4*s.* 9½*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of contingencies for the 13th regiment, sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor, amounting to 80*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.* and, after deducting 2*l.* 15*s.* for improper charges, are of opinion the balance, of 78*l.* 4*s.* 11*d.* should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of the owners of the snow Active, for three punchcons of bread supplied a detachment; which they are of opinion should not be paid, as rations were allowed the men :

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That they had also examined four several accounts of Mark Howard, for removing the baggage of the 20th regiment of foot from the Ordnance wharf to Up-Tark Camp, and from thence to Kingston barracks, and again to the Ordnance wharf, amounting to 152*l.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of lodging-money for the officers of the royal artillery, amounting to 300*l.* 12*s.* 4½*d.* and, after deducting the chaplain's lodging-money, amounting to 21*l.* 13*s.* 4½*d.* which he is not entitled to, as having a benefice in the island, and also 20*l.* each charged as lodging-money for the ordnance store-keeper, the clerk of the ordnance, and clerk of the cheque, which the committee are of opinion should not be allowed (although, on inspection, it appears to have been allowed them last year), the balance, being 227*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.* the committee are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of lodging-money for the officers of the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, amounting to 382*l.* 0*s.* 7½*d.* and, after deducting the lodging-money of major Inledon, who receives it in another capacity, and that of the chaplain, who has a living in the island, are of opinion that the balance, being 335*l.* 8*s.* 4½*d.* should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of contingent expences for the said regiment, in clothing of 32 pioneers, at 5*l.* each, carriage of baggage, &c. amounting to 216*l.* 11*s.* 1½*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of lodging-money for the officers of the 10th regiment, amounting to 186*l.* 3*s.* 1½*d.* and an account of contingent expences for that regiment, amounting to 143*l.* 0*s.* 7*d.* both which sums they are of opinion should be paid :

That they had also examined the account of lodging-money for the officers of the 16th regiment, from 1st November, 1793, to 2d February, 1794, attested by captain Skinner, amounting to 36*l.* 1*s.* also an account for extra lodging-money for captains Skinner and Spens, amounting to 46*l.* 15*s.* 9½*d.* and an account of contingent expences for the said regiment, amounting to 27*l.* 5*s.* 3¾*d.* which said several sums, making in all 110*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* the committee are of opinion should be paid : But the account rendered in by captain Skinner, for postage for that regiment, from 21st August, 1792, to 28th October, 1793, amounting to 52*l.* 1*s.* 7½*d.* the committee are of opinion should not be paid :

And that the committee are of opinion, that the estimate rendered in by Adam Dolmage, island store-keeper, for keeping the arms belonging to the country clean and in repair for the ensuing year, should be referred to the committee of the whole house on the state of the island.

The house being informed, that the clerk of the peace for the parish of Kingston attended at the door, he was called in, and, at the bar, according to order, presented to the house the following return :

“ The honourable house of assembly having ordered, that I should forthwith lay before them an account of the number of foreign slaves whom their owners or employers have given in to my office, together with the names of such owners or employers, I have to inform this honourable house, that no foreign slaves have ever been given in to my office by any persons whatsoever.

“ It may be necessary that this honourable house should be informed, that, in consequence of his honour the lieutenant-governor's proclamation of the 3d April, 1793, about eighty  
French

French persons were brought to my office, and examined before the custos and other magistrates of Kingston, as was directed by that proclamation; seventy-one of whom were permitted to reside in this island, with their domestic slaves, upon their entering into recognizance, and procuring good and sufficient security for their good behaviour during their stay. I did not take a list of such domestics, having no directions to do so; but the number of them was specified in the margin of each license, to prevent their being taken up or molested. If this honourable house should require a list of such French persons, I will immediately furnish one.

“ B. B. NEMBIARD, *clk. peace of Kingston.*”

A petition of Charles Hanson was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner hath been employed by the commissioners for public barracks, and those for forts and fortifications at Montego-Bay, to keep and audit accounts, examine vouchers, copy letters, petitions, &c. and much other writing respecting the said barracks and fortifications, for upwards of two years past :

“ That the petitioner readily agreed with said commissioners to accept such compensation for his services in the said matters, and such allowance for stationary, as to the house should seem adequate;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above report, return, and petition, as also the list of French prisoners sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 25th instant, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

NOTE, *For list of French prisoners see appendix, No. XVII.*

A petition of Alexander Aikman, printer to the house, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner has, by directions of the proper authorities, performed sundry printing business for the public, as appears by the annexed account;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XVIII.*

A petition of Donald Campbell, captain of Fort-Montego, in the parish of St. James, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner was appointed captain of the said fort in March, 1792, and has been constantly employed in the service thereof:

“ That the house, in the last session, ordered payment to be made him for pay and lodging money due to 1st December, 1793:

“ That the pay since that time, and lodging-money to 1st March last, is due to the petitioner, as also the sum of 50*l.* for the hire of a white man for one year, as stated in the annexed account:

“ That



“ That there is also due to the petitioner the further sum of 175*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* for the hire of fundry negroes, and for their allowance, employed in furnishing the detachment of royal artillery with wood and water, and other matters relative to the service of the said fort; as by the annexed accounts doth appear;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XIX.*

A petition of Patrick Gallagher, late assistant surgeon to the 13th regiment, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner acted as assistant surgeon to the forces in this island during the space of two years and three months, commencing on the 1st January and ending 1st April, 1793, attending the sick of the 10th and 16th regiments, detached at different times to Oracabena and Port-Maria:

“ That, from not having served one whole year with either of the said regiments, he could not be included in the annual return of either:

“ That having no residence allotted to him, he was compelled to rent a place of abode, and, in his removal, he incurred the farther expence of 15*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.*”

And praying for relief.

A petition of James Fannin, printer, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner has published, in the Cornwall Chronicle, fundry laws and advertisements, as stated in the annexed account;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XX.*

Ordered, That the above four petitions be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of fundry freeholders and others, inhabitants of the parishes of Kingston, St. Andrew, and Port-Royal, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road from the low lands of Liguanea to the Botanic Garden, which forms part of the great road of communication with the eastern parishes and the country beyond the Blue Mountains, is in many places so narrow as to be dangerous to travellers, from the earth giving way after heavy rains:

“ That a bridge has been lately erected over Mammee-River, which has occasioned an alteration of the road, by cutting through a rock; but the funds appropriated thereto having been found inadequate to its completion, it remains unfinished, to the great inconvenience of travellers:

“ That the said road, during heavy rains, is in some places overflowed by Hope-River,  
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and might easily be raised, so as to pass without reach of its stream, which would render it at all times passable, but cannot be done by the ordinary allotments of the highways;"

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. George and Portland, in the vicinity of Swift River, and of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew and Port-Royal, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

"That the house, in the last session, granted 200*l.* to make a road from the mouth of Swift-River to the mountain of Mr. Woolfrys; which has been expended, but proved insufficient:

"That the said road, when completed, will be of the utmost utility to the public;"

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of the vestry of the parish of St. James being offered to the house;

And a motion being made, and the question put, that the said petition be received;

It was resolved in the affirmative:

Then the said petition was read, setting forth,

"That the law directing the choice of parish vestries being so expressed that it is construed differently by different people, as to the number of magistrates that may legally sit and vote in vestry, which difference is the source of much uneasiness, dissention, and altercation, to the hindrance of business, and disquiet of the parishioners;

"And praying, that a bill may be brought in to remove the said grievance, by expressing with precision the number of magistrates that may sit and vote in parish vestries:"

And a motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition;

The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

*Ayes*, 12—Mr. Rodon, Mr. Deans, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Woolfrys, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Christie, Mr. Wallen, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. Galbraith:

*Noes*, 16—Mr. Lewis, Mr. Murray, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Fuller,

ler, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Batty, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Hahled, Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Henckell, and Mr. Foulks:

So it passed in the negative:

Resolved, That the said petition be rejected.

A petition of Abraham Cohen Deleon (praying to be paid the value of a negro man slave, his property, who had murdered a mulatto woman slave, also belonging to the petitioner, and had afterwards hanged himself) being offered to the house;

Resolved, That the said petition be rejected.

A petition of the inhabitants of the parish of Trelawny was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the minds of the petitioners, it is consonant with Christianity, and absolutely necessary, that, in every parish in this island, there should be erected a church for the public worship of God, according to the rites and ceremonies of the established religion:

“ That the petitioners are now, and for many years past have been, without a place appropriated for divine worship, without a place of residence for the minister of the parish, and, about the town of Falmouth in particular, even without a lot of land appropriated for the burial of the dead:

“ That the petitioners are desirous of having the advantage of such buildings and place of burial; and they consider the town of Falmouth, and its neighbourhood, as the most fit situations for such purposes:

“ That the laws now in force relating to the building of churches do not authorize the petitioners, or the vestry of the parish, to raise a sufficient tax for the purpose aforesaid:

“ That of late years the town of Falmouth hath increased extremely in respect to the number of its houses and inhabitants; as well from which, as from its being much exposed to the riots of sailors, and many other inconveniences, as well as impositions, it has become absolutely necessary that certain laws, orders, and regulations, be prescribed to be observed within and about the said town of Falmouth, relating to merchandize, justice, tranquillity, and even the health of the inhabitants, as well as all other matters that may in anywise relate to the internal policy of the place:

“ That the petitioners have not yet had the sanction or countenance of the house in respect to such laws, orders, or regulations, and are now very desirous that such may be invented and approved of as may promote and establish the happiness of the petitioners; all of whom are occasionally liable to the same inconveniences and impositions, which the inhabitants of the town of Falmouth in particular have reason to solicit may be removed and checked:

“ That, in the middle of the channel leading into and out of the harbour of Martha-Brae, there are rocks so large, and so much in the way of large vessels bound outwards, that frequently, unless the land-wind should prove favourable in the morning, they may be detained in the harbour several days, to the great inconvenience as well as prejudice of the  
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several masters and owners of such vessels, and all others concerned; and the said harbour may occasionally require cleaning:

“ That the petitioners are advised, that the said rocks, or a considerable and sufficient part of them, may be removed by gunpowder, or by other means, and good and sufficient mooring and warping anchors and chains supplied and provided, at a very inconsiderable expence; and that all kinds of filth and other impediments may be easily removed, to the great advantage of the public:

“ That as soon as such rocks shall be removed, the largest vessels which are employed in trading to and from the said harbour, and even ships of war, as the petitioners are advised, may be brought into and carried out of the said harbour with the greatest ease and safety, and without any apprehension of their being detained by contrary winds:

“ That from the decrease of inhabitants at Martha-Brae, an inland village; from the great increase of houses and inhabitants at Falmouth; from the latter being the seat of commerce, whereunto all masters of vessels, and all persons of every description, chieflly resort, it has become the most convenient and proper place wherein to transact all parochial business:

“ That at present all the parochial business is transacted in a single room at Martha-Brae, to the great inconvenience of the inhabitants in general;

“ That the petitioners are desirous that, in future, all public business of the parish may be carried on in the town of Falmouth;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill or bills to be brought in, whereby a sufficient tax may be authorized to be raised for the purpose of purchasing lands, and erecting a church and parsonage-house, and for burial-grounds; whereby also the petitioners may have such measures adopted, and such laws, orders, and regulations, prescribed and appointed, for the internal policy of the said town of Falmouth, as the house may deem beneficial and prudent, and as may tend to the future peace, happiness, and health, of the petitioners; and whereby the petitioners may enjoy the benefit resulting from removing the rocks at present in the channel of the harbour of Martha-Brae, and the cleaning and removing all impediments in the said harbour; and for fixing and depositing proper and sufficient mooring or warping anchors and chains in the channel; and for giving authority for the sale of the building at Martha-Brae wherein the public business is at present transacted, and for raising a tax to erect a proper building for that purpose at Falmouth:”

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. S. Barrett, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. G. G. Barrett; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A member, in his place, laid before the house an account of Hugh Frazer, carpenter, for sundry work done at the Westmorland barracks:

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A motion being made, that the committee of the whole house, to whom any of the money-bills stands committed, do receive a clause for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, for permitting a pew in the said church to be fitted up for the accommodation of the members of the assembly only, agreeably to a resolution of the house in the last session for that purpose;

Ordered,

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A message from his honour the lieutenant governor, by his secretary, as follows:

“MR. SPEAKER,

“I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house sundry papers, of which the following is a list:

- No. 1. Petition of doctor Watt.  
 2. Petition of David Lyon.  
 3. Account of James Veitch, of Montego-Bay.  
 4. Account of Reaburn, of ditto.  
 5. Memorial of Robert Gordon.  
 6. Doctor Lempriere's certificate, respecting Mr. Rose.  
 7. Mr. Secretary Dundas's letter of the 48th December, 1793, with his honour's opinion thereon, as required by the house.

“All which his honour recommends to the consideration of the house.”

No. 1.

*To his honour ADAM WILLIAMSON, esquire, lieutenant-governor of Jamaica,  
 &c. &c. &c.*

*The humble memorial of ALEXANDER WATT, an island surgeon's mate, at Montego-Bay,  
 Sheweth,*

That your memorialist was attached to a detachment of the 13th regiment, by John Weir, esquire, surgeon to the forces, from the 31 day of December to the 21st day of August, 1792, inclusively; and that, from the neglect of not having had his name inserted in the general return of that regiment, he has not yet been able to get his lodging-money for the above period paid. The annexed letter of doctor Weir shews the commencement of, and the arrival of the 16th regiment at Montego-Bay on the 21st of August, 1792, terminates, the period for which your memorialist makes claim; and he hopes your honour will have the goodness to cause representation to be made thereof, that he may obtain redress.

ALEX. WATT, *island mate.*

*Spanish-Town, 3d Decr 1791.*

His honour the lieutenant-governor has been pleased to appoint you an island mate, and to take care of the sick of the detachment of troops stationed at Montego-Bay. As the frigate which carried the troops sailed from Port-Royal before the necessary articles for the sick could be sent on-board, I have to beg of you to supply them with what medicines they may want, until an assortment can be sent round, when you will be reimbursed to the amount in the same articles.

The vestry will provide a proper place for the sick, and furnish bedding and cooking utensils. Wine will be sent along with the medicines from hence.

I am, SIR, your obedient servant,

JOHN WEIR, *surgeon to the forces.*

*To Mr. Watt, island-mate in the 13th regt. Montego-Bay.*

No. 2.

JAMAICA, ff.

*To the honourable WILLIAM BLAKE, esquire, speaker, and other the members of the honourable house of assembly,*

*The humble petition of DAVID LYON, of the parish of St. Catherine, tavern-keeper,*

*Sheweth,*

That your petitioner keeps a tavern at Port-Henderfon, in the parish of St. Catherine :

That Port-Henderfon is the most convenient barquadier or place for sending or receiving dispatches to and from the different ships, forts, and places, lying in and upon the harbour of Port-Royal and Kingston, in the neighbourhood of the seat of the government of this island :

That ever since the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of dragoons have been established in this island, they have been sent to Port-Henderfon, from time to time, to forward and receive dispatches to and from his honour the governor, to and from the different ships and places in the harbour of Port-Royal and Kingston :

That your petitioner hath always been at the expence and trouble to receive into his house the persons of the dragoons sent from time to time with, and to receive, such dispatches, and to furnish stabling for their horses :

That your petitioner hath generally the trouble and care of such dispatches, until they are called for, and hath frequently been at the charge of forwarding them to Fort-Augusta, Port-Royal, the Twelve Apostles, and other parts :

That your petitioner hath hitherto received no reward or compensation in the premises :

That said Jamaica regiment of dragoons have been in this island since some time in the month of August, 1792 :

Your petitioner therefore humbly prays, that the honourable house will take his case into consideration, and grant unto him such relief and compensation in the premises as to them, in their wisdom and justice, shall seem meet :

And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

DAVID LYON.

I certify, that the facts stated in the above petition of David Lyon, tavern-keeper, are true. Given under my hand, this 14th November, 1794.

FRAN. INCLEDON.

No. 3.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To JAMES VEITCH.*

1794, May 13.	To medicines and attendance on the detachment of artillery	l.	s.
	stationed at Montego-Bay, from the 15th May, 1793, to		
	the annexed date, as <i>per</i> agreement	-	-
			35 0

I hereby certify, that doctor Veitch attended for the time specified, and gave very punctual attendance, and supplied them liberally with medicines.

DON. CAMPBELL,  
*Capt. of Fort-Effingham.*

No. 4.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To ROBERT REABURN, pilot, at Montego-Bay, Dr.*

To the hire of a beat and negroes to board all vessels from the Delaware, from	l.	s.
1st Nov. 1793, to the 1st Nov. 1794	-	-
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I do hereby certify, that Mr. Reaburn always found a boat and hands when required by me, agreeable to his honour the lieutenant-governor's orders.

DON. CAMPBELL,  
*Capt. of Fort-Effingham.*

No. 5.

*To his honour the lieutenant-governor, &c. &c.*

*The memorial of ROBERT GORDON, assistant surgeon to the forces,*

*Humbly sheweth,*

That in consequence of your memorialist being returned with the royal regiment, and his doing duty in Kingston as assistant purveyor to the forces, he did not receive any lodging-money for the last year, and is consequently in the same predicament this year: He therefore humbly solicits your honour will be pleased to lay his request before the honourable house of assembly, to be granted lodging-money as assistant surgeon to the forces for last year, and as purveyor to the forces for this year.

And your petitioner, &c. &c. &c.

Kingston, Nov. 25, 1794.

ROBERT GORDON,  
*Acting purveyor to the forces, Jamaica.*

No. 6.

*Jamaica, Nov. 24, 1794.*

This is to certify, that Mr. John Rose, island assistant surgeon, owing to his being frequently removed from one regiment to another during the last year, has not been returned by any of the corps, which has deprived him of the usual allowance of island pay and lodging-money.

WILLIAM LEMPRIERE,  
*Acting surgeon of the forces.*

[Circular.]

No. 7.

SIR,

*Whitehall, 13th Dec. 1793.*

His majesty having thought proper to signify his commands to lord Amherst, for ascertaining the rank of the officers of the militia in the West-Indies, when acting with his majesty's regular forces; in order therefore that such rank, under no circumstances whatever, have the effect of taking the command of the military force of any of the islands out of the hands of his majesty's senior officer commanding therein, it is his majesty's pleasure, that, in all existing as well as future commissions to the officers of the militia, above the rank of captain, in the island of Jamaica, a proviso be inserted, that such officer is, notwithstanding his commission, to be under the command of the senior officer commanding his majesty's forces in the island for the time being, when such officer of militia, as above mentioned, is acting in conjunction with his majesty's regular forces.

I am, SIR, your most obedient servant,  
(Signed)

HENRY DUNDAS.

*Lieutenant-Governor, Jamaica.*

" His honour the lieutenant-governor, in compliance with the desire of the house on the subject of the above letter, gives it as his opinion, that the least alteration with respect to the rank of the regulars and militia, when serving together, is not intended; except that the senior officer of his majesty's forces in the island, and him alone, is to be considered as commanding the whole regulars and militia, whatever his rank may be.

WM. SHAW, *secretary.*"

Ordered,

Ordered, That the above message, and papers therewith sent, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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November, 28<sup>th</sup> die Nobembriis, 1794.

THE engrossed bill to authorize and empower the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Clarendon, for the time being, to manumize and let free a mulatto woman slave named Molly Matthews, and her four children, named John, Jenny, Edward, and Susanna, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The bill for vesting in trustees a certain piece or parcel of land in the parish of St. Elizabeth, and to enable the said trustees to sell the same for the purposes therein mentioned, was read a second time :

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, " An act for vesting in trustees a certain piece or parcel of land in the parish of St. Elizabeth, and to enable the said trustees to sell the same for the purposes therein mentioned."

The bill to entitle John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, and Milbrough his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time :

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, " An act to entitle John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, and Milbrough his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

A petition of Strupar, Bennett, and Doddington, printers, in Kingston, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

" That the petitioners have published the advertisements charged in the annexed accounts;"

And

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXI.*

A petition of David Finlayson, late deputy-marshal for the parish of Westmorland, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That there is due to the petitioner, for the maintenance and other expences attending sundry prisoners confined in the county-gaol of Cornwall, the sum of 68*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* as appears by the annexed account;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXII.*

A petition of Hugh Frazer, deputy-marshal and keeper of the gaol for the county of Surrey, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That there is due to the petitioner the sum of 95*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* being for cash advanced for the maintenance of prisoners in the said gaol, and also the sum of 12*l.* 15*s.* being the expences incurred in removing the body of James Pedden, by writ of *habeas corpus*, from Kingston to Savanna-la-Mar; as by the annexed account appears;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXIII.*

A petition of Richard Welch, the next of kin and heir at law of Walter Welch, deceased, late deputy-marshal and keeper of the county-gaol of Middlesex, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the said Walter Welch lately departed this life intestate, and without issue, whereby the petitioner is entitled to administration of his estate and effects:

“ That there is owing to the estate of the said Walter Welch the sum of 30*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* being for cash advanced by him for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the said gaol for debt; as specified in the annexed account;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXIV.*

Ordered, That the above four petitions and accounts be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of the magistrates of the parish of St. James was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, in the year 1793, a deposition being made before the magistrates of the said parish, that a surgeon had been murdered on board the Wasp guineaman, then just departed for



for England, the necessary steps were immediately taken to bring the perpetrators to justice, and a vessel was hired to go to the Caymanas (where it was understood the vessel was to touch), with depositions and informations to the magistrates there :

“ That the house not being then sitting, the parish of St. James had advanced 100*l.* being the expence of said vessel, till the affair could be brought under the consideration of the house;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of George Cooke, supervisor of the St. Catherine's workhouse, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That, by the order of his honour the lieutenant-governor, the petitioner, as supervisor of the St. Catherine's workhouse, employed the several slaves, mentioned in the two annexed accounts, at the government pen, for the time therein specified; and for which he hath not received payment;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXV.*

Ordered, That the above two petitions be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island.

A petition of certain freeholders and others, inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew, St. George, Port-Royal, and Kingston, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the money granted for the new road leading from Thomas's Grass-Piece to Cold-spring-Hill hath been duly expended; but has proved insufficient to complete the said road :

“ That the said road will be of very general use when made broad and safe, and will be highly beneficial to the public, as it forms a communication with the north side of the island, and leads to a large tract of uncultivated land, hitherto neglected on account of the difficulty of access;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the inhabitants of the parish of St. Elizabeth was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the sum of 1200*l.* granted by the house in the last sessions, towards making a carriage-road from the Bogue-Pastures to Grove-Place, in the said parish, commonly called the Mile-Gully road, has been expended, and the road is in a forward state; but, in order that the public may benefit thereby, a further grant is necessary;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the monies heretofore granted by the house, for the purpose of making a new road from the parish of St. Mary to Kingston, have been expended in the most frugal manner, and to the greatest advantage ; yet the said road remains unfinished :

“ That some parts of the said road remain rather narrow, where the ground proved rocky, particularly that part from Dears’s mountain to Flint-River ; which the petitioners conceive may be completely opened, at a small additional expence ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of certain freeholders and other inhabitants of the parishes of Port-Royal, St. Andrew, St. David, and Kingston, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That many thousand acres of land remain waste and uncultivated, in the high interior parts of the parishes of Port-Royal and St. George, from the great difficulty of access thereto, on account of the circuitry of the roads the settlers would be under the necessity of using :

“ That a tract through the lands of George Riches, Bernard and Dennis La Gourgue, Samuel Whitehorne Barnett, Robert Law and Francis Scott, David Haase and Teiser Samuel Kuckahn, leading to the high road on Hope-River, will shorten the distance at least six miles, and will also open a communication from the parish of St. David, through the upper mountains, into the high road leading to Buff-Bay ; but which cannot be done without the assistance of the house ;”

And praying for relief.

A petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew and St. Thomas in the Vale, and of the merchants and factors of the town of Kingston, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the road leading from the Wagwater tavern, in the parish of St. Andrew, to Glenn Goffe’s plantation, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale (a distance of ten or twelve miles), and from thence over the mountains into the parish of St. Mary (ten or twelve miles further), leading to Port-Maria and Annotto-Bay, by a plantation or sugar-work called Louisbrough, hath been, and still is, a public road between Kingston and St. Mary’s :

“ That the former part of the said road, not having originally been laid out in a proper manner, is, every rainy season, so much injured as not to be travelled without danger, and the petitioners in that district deprived of all communication with each other ; and that the petitioners in the latter district, which immediately communicates with St. Thomas in the Vale and St. Mary, are obliged to travel through a mountainous and uncultivated country, without even the advantage of their present road being considered as a jury-road ; from which circumstance there are no allotments on it, and the inhabitants are unable to keep it in order :

“ That the petitioners are desirous of making some alterations, which, when completed, will be attended with the following beneficial consequences : The distance from the interior parts of St. Mary’s to Kingston will be considerably shortened ; a communication with the great road leading from Spanish-Town, by Williamsfield plantation, to St. Mary, established ; all the dangerous places avoided ; travelling more easily and safely effected ; and in every other respect it will be of more general utility ;”

And

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above five petitions be referred to the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected.

A petition of Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, on behalf of herself and of her several children, named Sarah Evans, Francis Catanach, Ann Deans, Dorothy Henly, free quadroons, and also on behalf of Ann Deans Clark and James Deans Clark, free mustees, the children of the said Dorothy Henly, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner and her said children and grandchildren have been severally baptized, and such of her said children as have attained an age competent to receive instruction have been educated and instructed in the principles of the Christian religion, in the communion of the church of England as by law established; and it is the intention of the petitioner, that the younger of her said children and her grandchildren shall be brought up in the same manner :

“ That the petitioner is possessed of property in this island to a considerable amount, wherewith to provide liberally for her said children and grandchildren, which will raise them above the level of people of colour in general; but, from the unfortunate circumstance of their births, they are subject to the same pains and penalties, and rules of government, as free negroes and mulattoes who have neither property nor education ;

“ And praying, that the house will give leave for a bill to be brought in for granting to the petitioner and her said children and grandchildren, and their issue, the same privileges as have been heretofore granted to persons in similar circumstances :”

Ordered, That the consideration of the above petition be referred to Mr. Christie, Mr. Henckell, and Mr. Stewart; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of Robert Peart, esquire, the lawful attorney in this island of John Foster, esquire (an absentee), surviving executor of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That a certain sambo slave named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of the said Samuel Warren Foster, deceased, did, on the 1st June last, of his own free will and accord, discover and make known a rebellious conspiracy forming by a certain negro man slave named Quaw, and certain other negroes on Spice-Grove, the property of the petitioner, in compassing and imagining the death of the petitioner and John Peart, overseer on the said property of Spice-Grove :

“ That the petitioner hath lately received a letter from the said John Foster, expressing his concurrence and approbation to have the said sambo slave named George manumized and set free, upon receiving an adequate recompense on behalf of the heirs of the said Samuel Warren Foster, deceased ;

“ And



“ And praying, that the house will be pleased to grant the freedom of the said sambo slave named George, at the public expence:”

Ordered, That the above petition be referred to Mr. Swaby, Mr. Murray, and Mr. S. Barrett; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of St. Thomas in the East was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the petitioners are informed, the house has granted the sum of 15,000*l.* for the great and new roads of communication in the interior parts of the island:

“ That the petitioners beg leave to observe, that the great roads of communication round the island, through the said parish, as well as the interior roads, are, in the time of bad weather, hardly passable;”

And praying for relief:

Ordered, That the above petition do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A petition of Dugald Campbell and Kenneth McLean, of the parish of St. Andrew, mariners, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That the bridge over Mammee-River hath been erected and built by the petitioners, much to the satisfaction of the community:

“ That the monies granted by the house for defraying the expence thereof have been found inadequate, and there remains due to the petitioners, on account of building the said bridge, the sum of 110*l.* as by the affidavit of Dugald Campbell hereto annexed:

“ That although a subscription was entered into by divers persons for the raising a sum of money, as well to carry on the building of the said bridge as for making the road, yet only 20*l.* thereof was paid to the petitioners; the remainder having been applied towards making the road, and paying the carpenters for making the centre of the bridge, as appears by the annexed account of Mr. James Concannon, who was appointed to receive such subscriptions:

“ That, after payment of the said sum of 110*l.* the petitioners will have suffered by their undertaking to erect the said bridge at the price limited, their account at the usual and customary rates exceeding that sum 446*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* as by a statement thereof and affidavit annexed:

“ That although the sums granted were expended before the bridge was finished, yet the petitioners continued their work, in order that the public should not be deprived of the use of the bridge, in full confidence that a sum would be granted to discharge their demand;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, For the papers referred to see appendix, No. XXVI.

And a motion being made, that the said petition be rejected;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A petition of John Welsh, captain of Fort-Small, being offered to the house, and read;

Resolved, That the said petition be rejected.

A petition of John Welsh, executor of Alexander Bonnyman, carpenter, deceased, being offered to the house, and read;

Resolved, That the said petition be rejected.

The resolution moved in the house on Tuesday the 25th instant, for paying the sum of 1500*l.* to the order of the treasurer of the public hospital in Kingston, towards defraying the expences of that institution, the funds appropriated by law being insufficient; and that the treasurer of the said hospital do account to the house for the same early in the next session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to explain an act entitled, "An act for the more easy redemption and foreclosure of mortgages; and to oblige mortgagees in possession to record accounts of sales of the annual crops, and accounts current respecting the same;"

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Grant, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Redwood, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to alter and amend an act entitled, "An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate, for building a bridge over the Rio-Cobre, in and by two several acts, one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776;" and for altering and amending the said two several acts;

Ordered, That Mr. Batty, Mr. Rodon, and Mr. Galbraith, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that the clerk of this house be allowed the sum of 70*l.* in lieu of fees upon petitions presented this session;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Ordered, That the papers delivered to the chairman of the committee at a conference with the council on Wednesday last, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take into consideration the state of the island:

Then the house resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported twenty-three resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house to send a message to the council, to acquaint their honours that the house are of opinion, that the revenue, as it now stands limited, is not adequate to the exigencies of the civil government entrusted to the board in the revenue act passed in the year 1728, and ought to be augmented to the extent of the present increase of the several ordinary charges.

2. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to prepare and bring in a bill to establish regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving at or residing in this island, in certain cases:

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Osborn, Mr. G. G. Barrett, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Rodon, be a committee for that purpose.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of Henry Andrew Francken, for his services to the public; as by his petition to the house this session.

4. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to Adam Dolmage, island store-keeper, the sum of 300*l.* as his salary; the duties of his office being considerably increased in consequence of the arrival of the additional arms in 1792, and in taking charge of the magazine at Fort-Augusta, by order of his honour the lieutenant-governor and council, in 1793; as by his petition to the house this session.

5. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to doctor Samuel Bell the sum of 92*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* in full of the accounts annexed to his petition to the house this session.

6. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of doctor Francis Rigby Brodbelt, physician to the gaol of St. Jago de la Vega, in full for medicines and attendance on the poor prisoners confined therein; as by his petition to the house this session.

7. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 25*l.* to the order of Leigh and Younger, for transporting fundry cannon from Fort-Augusta and Port-Henderfon to the harbour of St. Lucea; as by the account annexed to their petition to the house this session.

8. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Thomas Alves, late deputy-marshal for the parishes of St. James and Trelawny, the sum of 54*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

9. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 205*l.* 10*s.* to the order of William Bryan, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

10. That



10. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 96*l.* 4*s.* 4½*d.* to the order of George Atkinson, esquire, secretary of the island, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

11. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 143*l.* 1*s.* 4½*d.* to the order of George French, solicitor for the crown, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

12. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 12*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to the order of William Smart, printer, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

13. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of doctor James Walker, physician to the county-gaol of Surrey, the sum of 214*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* in full for medicines supplied the sick prisoners confined in the said gaol ; as also the further sum of 100*l.* as a compensation for his attendance in administering the same.

14. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Peter Chisholm, late deputy-marshal for Kingston, the sum of 47*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

15. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 57*l.* 10*s.* to the order of Duncan Frazer, late deputy-marshal of the court of vice-admiralty, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

16. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 62*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* to John Henderson, or his representative, in full of his account for wharfage, and carrying to Spanish-Town sundry chests of arms, &c. as by his petition to the house this session.

17. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Robert Shawe the sum of 21*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.* in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

18. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 57*l.* 10*s.* to the order of William Walker, deputy-register of the court of vice-admiralty and clerk of the arraigns, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

19. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 50*l.* to the order of Thomas Craskell, esquire, superintendant of Trelawny-Town, in full for the rent of a house at the said town for his residence ; as by his petition to the house this session.

20. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of John Henderson, or his representative, the sum of 84*l.* 4*s.* 9½*d.* being so much due him for wharfage, boat-hire, and wainage of sundry articles for the light dragoons ; as by the account sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor, in his message of the 19th inst.

21. That

21. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of the commanding officer of the 13th regiment the sum of 78*l.* 4*s.* 11*d.* in full of the account of contingent expences, sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor, in his message of the 19th inst.

22. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 18*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* to the order of Samuel Vaughan, esquire, or to the owners of the ship *Active*, for three puncheons of bread supplied the sick of the 16th regiment, who were removed from Montego-Bay to Port-Maria and St. Ann's; as by the account sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, on the 19th inst.

23. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 152*l.* to the order of Mark Howard, being the amount of three several accounts for removing the baggage of the 20th regiment of foot from the Ordnance wharf to Up-Park Camp, and from thence to Kingston; as by the said accounts sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, on the 19th inst.

And then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again :

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That the following messages be sent to the council :

*First message.*

" MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

" We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they have agreed to the amendments proposed by your honours to the bill entitled, " An act for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-Hill road, at Dry-River, in the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid," and have amended the bill accordingly."

*Second message.*

" MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

" We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that the house are of opinion that the revenue, as it now stands limited, is not adequate to the exigencies of the civil government entrusted to the board in the revenue act passed in the year 1728, and ought to be augmented to the extent of the present increase of the several ordinary charges."

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley and Mr. Osborn be a committee to carry the above messages, as also the engrossed bill of this day, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows :

" MR. SPEAKER,

" I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house sundry papers, of which the following is a list; *viz.*

*No.*

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. John Newland's accounts for supplying water.  
 2. Memorial and account of John Michael Dwyer.  
 3. Memorial of John Robinfon, surgeon 20th light dragoons.  
 4. Memorial of the honourable William Henry Ricketts.  
 5. James Jones's account for waggonage.

"All which are recommended by his honour to the consideration of the house; but more particularly the memorial of Mr. Ricketts, which, his honour conceives, contains matter of public utility."

N<sup>o</sup>. I.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To JOHN NEWLAND, Dr.

*For supplying the troops at the Apostles Battery, from 30th Nov. 1793, to the 16th Nov. 1794,*

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
585 puncheons of 100 gallons each, at 1s. 8d.	-	-	48	15	0

I certify, that John Newland has supplied his majesty's troops at the Apostles Battery with 585 puncheons of water, of 100 gallons each, from the above dates.

ANDREW ROSS.

Personally appeared before me John Newland, and made oath, that the above account is just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

J. NEWLAND.

*Sworn before me, this 24th Nov. 1794.*

AND. DEANS.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To JOHN NEWLAND, Dr.

*For supplying the troops at Fort-Augusta with WATER, according to contract, from the 30th Nov. 1793, until the 16th Nov. 1794,*

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
6154 puncheons of 100 gallons each, at 1s. 8d.	-	-	512	16	8

To the hire of two wherries, with negroes, from the above dates, is 551 days,

at 13s. 4d. per day	-	-	468	0	0
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For 22 fathom of crane-rope for making two new ropes; the crane being so

bad, cuts the rope	-	-	7	17	6
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I certify, that John Newland has supplied his majesty's troops at Fort-Augusta with 6154 puncheons of water, of 100 gallons each, the two wherries, and rope.

CLOT. DOBBIN,

*Captain Fort-Augusta.*

Personally appeared before me John Newland, and made oath, that the above account is just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

J. NEWLAND.

*Sworn before me, this 24th Nov. 1794.*

AND. DEANS.



THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To JOHN NEWLAND, Dr.

<i>For supplying the troops at Fort-Charles with WATER, according to contract, from the</i>			
<i>30th day of Nov. 1793, until the 16th day of Nov. 1794,</i>			
	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
9098 puncheons of 100 gallons each, at 1s. 8d.	-	-	758 3 4
For the hire of a market-boat, with negroes, from the above dates, is 351 days,			
at 13s. 4d. per day	-	-	234 0 0
For 11 fathom crane-rope supplied	-	-	3 18 9
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I certify, that John Newland has supplied his majesty's troops at Fort-Charles with 9098 puncheons of water, of 100 gallons each, from the above dates, and also a market-boat, and crane-rope.

JOHN RAMSEY,  
*Captain royal artillery.*

Personally appeared before me John Newland, and made oath, that the above account is just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

J. NEWLAND.

Sworn before me, this 24th Nov. 1794.

AND. DEANS.

## No. 2.

*To his honour general WILLIAMSON, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief, &c. &c. &c.*

*The memorial of JOHN MICHAEL DWYER*

*Very humbly sets forth,*

That your memorialist, by order of your honour, having done the work stated in the account and note herewith referred, since the last session of assembly, and being desirous of payment for the same, he humbly requests your honour to sanction his application to the house to that effect, by message or certificate, as to your honour shall seem meet; submissively stating, that the accompanying note is meant to satisfy your honour of the particulars, as well as to preclude the trouble that attended his application in the committee on the like score last year:

And, as in duty bound, your memorialist shall ever pray, and so forth.

12th Nov. 1794.

J. M. DWYER.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To JOHN MICHAEL DWYER, Dr.

For his time and trouble in translating and transcribing fair the series of correspondence (noted on the accompanying paper), by order of his honour the lieutenant-governor and commander in chief, being foreign dispatches upon subjects of a public nature appendant to the government of this island, the trade and interests thereof, since the last session of the honourable house of assembly	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>

1794, Nov. 12.

J. M. DWYER.

*Note.* The note or paper of reference mentioned in the above memorial and account contains the particulars of sundry business done by the memorialist, amounting in the whole to eighty fides of folio, translated from the Spanish, and fairly transcribed.

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## No. 3.

*The memorial of surgeon JOHN ROBINSON, of the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, Sheweth,*

That his pay, as regimental surgeon to the above corps, is inferior to that of other regimental surgeons, government granting the sum of 120*l.* sterling to each army surgeon *per ann.* towards purchasing medicines, &c. &c. whereas your memorialist only receives 32*l.* sterling; application on this head having been made to the secretary at war for redress, which was refused:

Your memorialist therefore begs leave to submit the same to the consideration of the honourable house of assembly, the last sessions having granted him the sum of 100*l.* and begs for a continuation of the same.

And your memorialist, &c. &c.

JOHN ROBINSON,

*Surgeon 20th light dragoons.*

*Spanish-Town, 28 Nov. 1794.*

## No. 4.

*To his honour major-general ADAM WILLIAMSON, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief in and over this his majesty's island of Jamaica, and the territories thereon depending in America, chancellor and vice-admiral of the same,*

*The MEMORIAL of the honourable WILLIAM HENRY RICKETTS, esquire, one of his majesty's privy-council in the island of Jamaica, and late major-commandant of the prince of Wales's corps of free mulattoes,*

*Sheweth,*

That, in the year 1782, your memorialist proposed a plan to sir Archibald Campbell, then governor of this island, to raise a corps of free people of colour, for the internal defence of this island; and the same was approved of by his excellency, and recommended by the assembly to government:

That your memorialist received his majesty's orders, through sir Archibald Campbell, to raise such corps; and did accordingly, at a very heavy expence to himself, raise a battalion of free people of colour; and who, being properly armed, accoutred, and disciplined, did duty for a considerable time in this island, and until orders were received, in consequence of the peace, to disband them; and which was done without making your memorialist any recompense for his services, either of rank or half-pay:

That your memorialist being perfectly satisfied of the great utility and advantage of a body of people of colour, properly officered and disciplined, did, in the year 1791, again offer his services, and propose to your honour to raise a corps of that description, which your honour was pleased to recommend to the assembly; but there being at that time a large body of troops in this island, and the assembly then proposing to obtain a regiment of dragoons for the service of this island, they declined giving it their countenance; and your memorialist, not wishing to proceed in the business without their recommendation, withdrew his application:

That the plan then proposed by your memorialist has been lately much considered, and is approved of by several persons of great weight and respectability in this island, as a measure proper to be adopted at this period; at whose instance your memorialist is again brought forward to offer his services to government, in raising a battalion of free persons of colour, as a permanent force for the internal defence of this island:

Your memorialist conceives, that, at this present moment, when every exertion to procure soldiers sufficient to recruit the regiments on service in the West-Indies fails, the advantages resulting from embodying such a corps as stated in your memorialist's former proposals are not only apparent, but receive additional weight:

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Your memorialist therefore submits a plan, the outline of which is annexed, for raising such battalion, to your honour's consideration.

W. H. RICKETTS.

*Proposals for raising a corps of free mulattoes.*

The battalion to consist of 1 lieutenant-colonel commandant; 1 second lieutenant-colonel; 1 major; 5 captains; 1 captain-lieutenant; 9 lieutenants; 6 ensigns; 1 chaplain; 1 adjutant; 1 quartermaster; 1 surgeon; 2 mates; and 358 non-commissioned officers and privates; viz.

Sergeants	-	-	26
Corporals	-	-	24
Drummers and fifers	-		12
Privates	-	-	296
Total	-		358

Blank commissions to issue from the war-office, to be filled up by the commander in chief, on the recommendation of the lieutenant-colonel commandant; the regiment to be on the British establishment; to be raised, maintained, and clothed, at the expence of government. As the corps is raised solely with a view to the internal defence of the island, it is proposed, in order to effect that intention, and to encourage men to enlist, that this corps be not on any account detached from the island, or drafted into any other corps, or liable to reduction on the peace, without the consent of the general, council, and assembly.

W. H. RICKETTS.

No. 5.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

		To SPANISH-TOWN WAGGONAGE, Dr.		
		l.	s.	d.
1794, Mar. 17.	To the hire of 3 waggons, by order of major Inledon, for bringing up stores for the light dragoons and 62d regiment	16	2	6
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		26	17	6
Sept. 8.	To the hire of a waggon to Kingston, for sundry stores for 20th light dragoons, by order of major Inledon	5	10	0
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		32	7	6

Spanish-Town, 10th Sept. 1794.

I do certify the above account.

FRAN. INCLEDON,  
Major commanding 20th light dragoons.

Ordered, That the papers No. 2, 3, and 4, sent down with the above message, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Ordered, That the papers No. 1 and 5, sent down with the above message, be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Ordered, That Mr. Lewis have leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Then



Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Sabbati, 29<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1794.

A MEMBER, in his place, informed the house, that two petitions had been sent him yesterday, in order to be presented by him to the house, it being the last day for receiving private business; but that an accident had prevented his getting them till this morning; and requesting that the house would permit him to present the said two petitions now:

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the said petitions be received now:

Then the said member, in his place, presented the same, as follows:

A petition of Thomas Jenkins, of the parish of St. Ann, setting forth,

“ That there is due to the petitioner, for wharfage, storeage, negro-hire, &c. the sum of £72/ 2s. 6d. as stated in the annexed account;”

And praying for relief.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXVII.*

A petition of Alexander Kidston, of the parish of St. Ann, practitioner in physic and surgery, setting forth,

“ That the petitioner was appointed, on 7th April, 1787, island mate to a detachment of the 16th regiment, then quartered at St. Ann’s Bay, in which appointment he continued to act, in conjunction with doctor Hewatson, the assistant surgeon, until his death, the 24th May following:

“ That the said troops being at that time in a very sickly state, and requiring particular attention, the petitioner made application to the surgeon-general for an assistant surgeon; who informed the petitioner, that his honour the commander in chief requested the petitioner and his copartners to attend to the troops till an assistant surgeon could be sent:

“ That, in consequence of such request, the petitioner and his copartners did regularly attend the said troops till their departure from St. Ann’s, which happened the 30th August following; and, during that time, supplied many medicines, no assistant surgeon having been sent:

“ That the petitioner is aware, that all assistant surgeons are appointed at home, and

therefore cannot regularly claim the emoluments annexed to that appointment, although he has done the same duty ;”

And praying for relief.

Ordered, That the above two petitions and account be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts ; that they enquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

Mr. Swaby, from the committee to whom the petition of Robert Peart, esquire, the lawful attorney in this island of John Foster, esquire (an absentee), surviving executor of Samuel Warren Foster, deceased, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true ; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition :

Ordered, That Mr. Swaby, Mr. Murray, and Mr. S. Barrett, be a committee for that purpose.

A message from the council, by their clerk, as follows :

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they agree to the bill entitled, ‘ An act for applying the surpluſage of the money that shall arise by virtue of “ An act for granting a revenue to His Majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island ; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof,” to certain uses ;’ with the following amendments :”

In the 18th line from the top of the first sheet, after the word “ notwithstanding,” insert the following words, “ and whereas the said sum of eight thousand pounds is not adequate to the exigencies of the civil government entrusted to the governor or commander in chief, with the advice and consent of the council, in and by the said herein before in part recited act : We, therefore, your majesty’s dutiful and loyal subjects, the assembly of this your majesty’s island of Jamaica, most humbly beseech your majesty that it may be enacted ; and be it enacted by your majesty’s lieutenant-governor, council, and assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same, that the sum of be added to the estimate of the several ordinary charges on the revenue annexed to the said in part recited act, and be henceforth appropriable to the exigencies of the civil government entrusted to the governor or commander in chief, with the advice and consent of the council as aforesaid, in like manner as the said sum of eight thousand pounds is now appropriable by the said act.”

In the 21st line from the top of the same sheet, after the word “ the,” insert the words “ sum of,” and *dele* the word “ eight ;” and, in place thereof, insert also *dele* the words, “ thereby particularly granted and,” and also the word “ appropriated,” in the succeeding line.

In the 24th line from the top of the same sheet, after the word “ act,” *dele* all the words in the same line, and also all the words in the four following lines, to the word “ same,” inclusive ; and, in place thereof, insert the words “ be it therefore enacted.”

In the 3d line from the top of the second sheet, *dele* the words “ during the continuance of this act.”

In the 4th line from the top of the same sheet, *dele* the words “ entitled an act for granting a revenue,” and also all the words in the succeeding lines, as far as the word “ thereof,” inclusive, in the 6th line.

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In the 9th line from the top of the same sheet, *dele* the words "during the continuance of this act."

"In the 11th line from the top of the same sheet, *dele* the words "and be it further enacted by," and also all the following lines.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the said bill be rejected.

Mr. Shirley, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses; *and for other purposes*; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The bill for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses; *and for other purposes*, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house immediately; and that the committee have power to receive clauses:

Then the house resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Shirley took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Shirley, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of 'An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof,' to certain uses; *and for other purposes*."

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The engrossed bill for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of "An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the  
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the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof," to certain uses; *and for other purposes*, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass:

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Osborn, and Mr. Rodon. be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor in council, by the provost-marshal, commanding, in the king's name, the attendance of the house in the council-chamber, immediately :

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker and the whole house went up; and being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that the house had attended the lieutenant-governor in the council-chamber; where his honour was pleased to give his assent to the following bills:

" An act for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due:"

" An act for applying the surplusage of the money that shall arise by virtue of ' An act for granting a revenue to his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the support of the government of this island; and for reviving and perpetuating the acts and laws thereof,' to certain uses; *and for other purposes*:"

" An act for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt:"

" An act to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned:"

" An act to appoint certain commissioners for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill:"

" An act to empower the justices and vestries of the several parishes in this island to settle and regulate the price and assize of bread; and to prevent persons making bread for sale from intermixing therewith any damaged or unwholesome materials or ingredients:"

" An act to entitle Robert Kuckahn, Edward Kuckahn, Samuel Kuckahn, William Kuckahn, Thomas Kuckahn, Jane Kuckahn, Mary Kuckahn, and Ann Kuckahn, free mulattoes, the reputed sons and daughters of Tesser Samuel Kuckahn, of the parish of St. Andrew, esquire, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions:"

" An act to entitle Frances Hewson, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Robert Steinson, Alexander Steinson, Maria Steinson, Charlotte Stuart Steinson, and Fanny Steinson, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions:"

" An act to entitle Ann Middleton, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman,  
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and her several children, named Clotworthy Bruce, Rosanna Bogle, Ann Bogle, Archibald Bogle, George Bogle, Hugh Bogle, and Janet Bogle, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions:"

"An act to enable Alexander Murray, of the parish of Kingston, in the county of Surrey, gentleman, to practise as an attorney, solicitor, and proctor, of the several courts in this island; and to authorize and enable the judges of the supreme court of judicature to permit the said Alexander Murray to take the oaths for that purpose, notwithstanding an act of this island, entitled, 'An act for the further regulation of solicitors and attornies at law, practising in the several courts in this island.'"

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the House, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

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Martis, 2<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Prayers.** THE engrossed bill for vesting in trustees a certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the parish of St. Elizabeth; and to enable the said trustees to sell the same, for the purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill to entitle John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, and Milbrough, his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis and Mr. Stewart be a committee to carry the above engrossed bills to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The resolution moved in the house, on the 27th day of November last, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, rector of the parish of St. Catherine, for permitting a pew in the said church to be fitted up for the accommodation of the members of the assembly only, agreeably to a resolution of the house in the last session for that purpose, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

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The resolution moved in the house, on the 28th day of November last, for paying the sum of 70*l.* to the order of the clerk of the house, in lieu of fees on petitions presented this session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Mr. Christie, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle Sarah Spragg, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Edmund Baillie Lamein, Anthony Duart, and Sarah Duart, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Swaby, according to order, presented to the house a bill for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased, and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Christie, from the committee to whom the petition of Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, on behalf of herself and of her several children and grandchildren, free quadroons and mustees, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth, and do find they are true; and are of opinion, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the said petition:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That Mr. Christie, Mr. Swaby, and Mr. Fuller, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill for that purpose.

Mr. Batty, from the commissioners appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the commissioners having been directed to contract with Alexander Donaldson, esquire, for supplying the sick and hurt of the army with a suitable diet and necessaries, thought proper to consult the surgeon of the forces, in order to give effect to the benevolent intentions of the house; and received from him a statement of the rations to be provided for soldiers in their different stages of sickness and convalescence, and of the articles necessary for their accommodation; and having communicated the same to Mr. Donaldson, he agreed to undertake the furnishing the rations, according to doctor Weir's statement, at the rate of 2*s.* 7½*d.* *per* ration: But, previous to the execution of the contract, it was represented to the board, that the contractor had begun to provide for the sick of the army by supplying money, instead of specific rations, and that he intended to continue that mode; they therefore directed a letter to be written to him, to enquire whether he was disposed to execute the contract as drawn up, or whether there was any intention of furnishing the whole or any part of the rations in money; to which they received the answer hereto annexed. Under the explanations contained in the said answer, the commissioners determined, that they could not with propriety sign such contract, nor admit of any construction deviating from the ex-  
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pref's terms of it; but they thought it their duty to take care that every necessary was provided for the sick, and took upon themselves to engage, that the surgeon of the forces should be reimbursed the expences that might be incurred by him for that purpose. The account of these expences, during the superintendence of doctor Weir, ending the 10th May last, has been attested by his honour the lieutenant-governor, and amounts to 929*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* The expence from that time to the 2d of August last amounts to 205*l.* incurred by the purveyor of the forces, at the desire of the board; the sundry vouchers for which have been examined and found right; and the commissioners submit, that these several advances ought to be reimbursed. From the period last mentioned, a different arrangement was found necessary, in consequence of the representations made to the board by the commanding officer of the light dracons, and the surgeon of the forces, stating the rapid increase of the sick list, the approach of the rainy season, and the situation of the hospital funds. The commissioners therefore, at their meeting of the 1st of August last, resolved, that, in order to relieve the distresses which threatened the sick of the army, they would engage to direct the receiver-general to pay to the surgeon of the forces monthly, from that day until the meeting of the assembly, 10*s.* 6½*d.* per week for each sick soldier of the army, according to attested returns to be laid before them; which payment was to be in full of all charges and contingencies on account of the sick:

That the commissioners have the satisfaction to find, that the precautions they have taken have had the happiest effects, and that the sick of the army have been amply provided with every comfort and accommodation their situation required: By the arrangement adopted, the total expence of the sick of the army, from the 2d of August to the 24th of October last, comes to 866*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.* and, upon adding the expence incurred prior to that period, and above reported, the whole amounts to the sum of 2000*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.* exclusive of some charges which properly belong to the hospital, but have been inserted by some of the regiments in their contingent accounts. The commissioners have recommended an uniform mode of keeping the hospital accounts; forms of which they have directed to be delivered for the use of each regiment, so that the application of the funds destined for the use of the sick will appear in the clearest and most satisfactory manner.

"SIR,

*Kingston, 21 June, 1794.*

"In answer to your letter of yesterday, I have the honour to acquaint you, that I am authorized, by a letter under Mr. Donaldson's hand, to sign the contract for supplying the sick of the army stationed in this island, on his behalf.

"I beg you will be so good as inform the commissioners, that I have agreed, on the part of Mr. Donaldson, with the commanding officers and surgeons of the different regiments now here, to pay over monthly into their hands the whole amount of the sick rations, agreeably to the regimental returns, to be by them laid out in the most beneficial manner for the sick and convalescent, reserving only to the contractor the benefit of furnishing wine, flour, and such other articles as he may have in store, at the market-price of the day.

"I have the honour to be, SIR,

"Your most obedient humble servant,

"James Smith, *esquire.*

ALEX. FORBES."

Ordered, That the said report do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

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Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported six resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of captain Richard Quarell, of his majesty's 10th regiment of foot, the sum of 65*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* in full for supplying a detachment of the said regiment, quartered at Port-Antonio, with wood and water; as by the account annexed to his memorial to his honour the lieutenant-governor, sent down to the house by his honour on the 19th November last.

2. That it be recommended to the house to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, acquainting him that the house do not think it expedient to make any provision for the repairs of the forts and batteries mentioned in the extract from the report of William Frazer, acting island-engineer, sent down to the house by his honour, in his message of the 19th day of November last: And that, the payment of all the officers belonging to Fort-Charles being provided for under the revenue law, they cannot take the case of the gunner of Fort-Charles into consideration.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Andrew Ross, esquire, captain of the Apostles Battery, the sum of 6*s.* 8*d.* *per diem* as captain of the said battery, and the further sum of 100*l.* *per ann.* for providing a boat and negroes for the use of the said battery; as by his petition to the house this session.

4. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of major Francis Incedon, barrack-master, the sum of 182*l.* 10*s.* being so much due him for pay, contingencies, and travelling expences, from the 4th day of December last to the 4th day of December instant; as by his petition sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor, in his message of the 19th day of November last.

5. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of major Francis Incedon, aid-du-camp to his honour the lieutenant-governor, the island subsistence and usual lodging-money.

6. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sums following, out of the appropriations of the year 1794; *viz.* the sum of 78*l.* 4*s.* 11*d.* being the balance due his majesty's 13th regiment of foot for contingencies and disbursements, after deducting the sum of 2*l.* 15*s.* for flints and advertising deserters; the sum of 227*l.* 18*s.* 5*d.* being the balance due to the officers of his majesty's royal artillery, after deducting the charges for lodging-money for the chaplain of that regiment, the ordnance store-keeper, the clerk of the ordnance, and the clerk of the cheque; the sum of 335*l.* 8*s.* 4½*d.* being the balance due to the officers of his majesty's 20th regiment of light dragoons, after deducting lodging-money charged for the chaplain to the regiment, and for major Incedon, who is allowed it in another capacity; the further sum of 216*l.* 11*s.* 1½*d.* due said regiment, for clothing pioneers, carriage of baggage, &c.; the sum of 186*l.*

186*l.* 3*s.* 1½*d.* due to the officers of his majesty's 10th regiment of foot for lodging-money, as also the further sum of 143*l.* 0*s.* 7*d.* due the said regiment for contingent expences; the sum of 36*l.* 1*s.* due to the officers of his majesty's 16th regiment of foot for lodging-money, also the sum of 46*l.* 15*s.* 9¼*d.* for extra lodging-money due captain Skinner and captain Spens, and the further sum of 27*l.* 5*s.* 3¾*d.* for contingencies due said regiment, making together the sum of 110*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* after disallowing a charge of 52*l.* 1*s.* 7½*d.* for postage; as by the several accounts sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, in his message of the 19th day of November last:

And then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That there be a call of the house on Tuesday next.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Mercuri, 3<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

Prayers. ORDERED, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to acquaint you, that the house do not think it expedient to make any provision for the repairs of the forts and batteries mentioned in the extract from the report of William Frazer, acting island-engineer, sent down to the house by your honour in your message of the 19th day of November last: And that, the payment of all the officers belonging to Fort-Charles being provided for under the revenue law, they cannot take the case of the gunner of Fort-Charles into consideration."

Ordered, That Mr. Woolfrys and Mr. Stewart be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders



on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be duly qualified to vote at such elections:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Fitch took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress in the said bill, and had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

The bill for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased, and for paying to John Foster, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to entitle Sarah Spraggs, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Edmund Baillie Lamoin, Anthony Duart, and Sarah Duart, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to entitle Sarah Spraggs, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Edmund Paillie Lamoin, Anthony Duart, and Sarah Duart, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

Mr. Vaughan, according to order, presented to the house a bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to regulate the highways; and to repeal an act entitled, 'An act to repeal the several acts therein mentioned; and for consolidating into one act all the laws relating to the highways;' and also to repeal all other acts relating to the highways;" which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Eatty, according to order, presented to the house a bill for altering and amending an act entitled, "An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate for building a bridge over the Rio Cobre, in and by two several acts; one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776;" and for other purposes; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Vaughan, according to order, presented to the house a bill to authorize individuals

to convert Meagre-Bay, being part of Montego-Bay, into a close harbour, by building a mole on the reef that crosses the said Meagre-Bay; and for other purposes; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Christie, according to order, presented to the house a bill to entitle Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Sarah Evans, Francis Catanach, Ann Deans, and Dorothy Henly, free quadroons, and Ann Deans Clark and James Deans Clark, free mustees, the children of the said Dorothy Henly, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Murray, from the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the committee had examined the account of lodging-money for the officers of his majesty's 62d regiment, amounting to 471*l.* 6*s.* and an account of contingencies for the said regiment, amounting to 202*l.* 5*s.* 7½*d.* both which sums they are of opinion should be paid.

That they had also examined the account of David Dickson, printer, annexed to his petition, for sundry printing business, amounting to 120*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid:

That they had also examined the account of Alexander Aikman, printer to the house, annexed to his petition, for printing laws, also 600 copies of the *Hortus Eastensis*, copies of Laws furnished members, &c. amounting to 1631*l.* 7*s.* 11*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid:

That they had also examined the account of James Fannin, printer, annexed to his petition, amounting to 94*l.* 1*s.* which they are of opinion should be paid:

That they had also examined the accounts of Strupar, Bennett, and Doddington, annexed to their petition, amounting to 28*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid:

That they had also examined into the allegations of the petition of Patrick Gallagher, surgeon, presented to the house; and are of opinion that the same should be refused:

That they had also examined the account of Donald Campbell, captain of Fort-Montego, annexed to his petition, amounting to 310*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* and are of opinion he should be allowed his pay, amounting to 121*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* his lodging-money for three months, 12*l.* 10*s.* and 50*l.* for the hire of a white man to take care of the powder-magazine for one year, making together the sum of 184*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*; but the committee are of opinion, he should not be allowed the sum of 175*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* charged by him for negro-hire and allowance, the same not being properly attested on oath:

That they had also examined the account of David Finlayson, late deputy-marshal for Westmorland, annexed to his petition, amounting to 63*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* which they are of opinion should be paid:

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That they had also examined the account due the estate of Walter Welch, late deputy-marshal for the precinct of St. Catherine, annexed to the petition of Richard Welch, amounting to 30*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* and are of opinion the same should be paid:

That they had also examined the account of Hugh Frazer, deputy-marshal for Kingston, annexed to his petition, amounting to 107*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.* and are of opinion the same should be paid:

That they had also examined three several accounts of John Newland, sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 28th November last, for supplying water for the troops at the Apostles Battery, Fort-Charles, and Fort-Augusta, for the hire of a market-boat and negroes for Fort-Charles, and two wherries and negroes for Fort-Augusta, and for supplying a quantity of crane-rope, amounting in the whole to 2043*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* which the committee are of opinion should be paid:

That they had also examined the account of James Jones, for the hire of waggons, &c. sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor in the same message, amounting to 26*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* which the committee are of opinion should not be paid, the same not being duly attested on oath:

That they had also examined the account of Thomas Jenkins, annexed to his petition, amounting to 72*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* for wharfage, storeage, and shipping off the baggage of two companies of the 16th regiment, and for the hire of two negroes as pioneers; and the committee are of opinion, he should be paid 40*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* for wharfage, &c. but that he should not be allowed for the hire of the pioneers, amounting to 31*l.* 5*s.* there being no certificate or attestation of their being so employed:

And that the committee have also examined into the allegations of the petition of Alexander Kidston, surgeon, presented to the house; and are of opinion the prayer thereof should be denied, there being no account or attestation of his services annexed to his petition.

The house being informed, that the clerk of the peace for the parish of Port-Royal attended, according to order, he was called in, and, at the bar, delivered a paper writing:

And then he withdrew:

The said paper writing being read, is as follows:

“The honourable house of assembly having ordered that I should forthwith lay before them an account of the number of foreign slaves, whom their owners or employers have given in to my office, together with the names of such owners or employers, I have to inform the house, that no foreign slaves have ever been given into my office, by any person whatever:”

Ordered, That the above report and paper writing be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That Mr. Campbell be added to the committee appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to explain and amend an act entitled, “An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes.”

Then



Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker*.

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Tobis, 4<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Prayers.** THE engrossed bill to entitle Sarah Spraggs, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Edmund Baillie Lamoin, Anthony Duart, and Sarah Duart, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass:

Ordered, That Mr. Christie and Mr. Deans be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Fitch took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the remaining part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill:

And a motion being made, and the question put, that the said bill be re-committed;

It was resolved in the affirmative:

Resolved, That said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to regulate the highways; and to repeal an act

act entitled, 'An act to repeal the several acts therein mentioned; and for consolidating into one act all the laws relating to the highways;' and also to repeal all other acts relating to the highways," was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for altering and amending an act entitled, "An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate, for building a bridge over the Rio Cobre, in and by two several acts, one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776;" and for other purposes, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to entitle Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Sarah Evans, Francis Catanach, Ann Deans, and Dorothy Henly, free quadroons, and Ann Deans Clark and James Deans Clark, free mulattoes, the children of the said Dorothy Henly, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to entitle Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Sarah Evans, Francis Catanach, Ann Deans, and Dorothy Henly, free quadroons, and Ann Deans Clark and James Deans Clark, free mulattoes, the children of the said Dorothy Henly, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

Mr. Chief-Justice, from the committee appointed to take into consideration all such matters as relate to the expenditure of monies granted for the purpose of erecting the barracks at Great-River, in the parish of St. James, reported,

That Robert Kerr, esquire, in consequence of the contracts of Robert and George Kerr with the commissioners appointed under an act entitled, "An act to appoint commissioners to purchase lands and erect barracks in the county of Cornwall," has actually received the sum of 6000*l.* and that vouchers or documents are produced for masons work of 2666*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*; and that it also appears by the minutes of the said commissioners, that the sum of 500*l.* was paid to Stephen Baker Bowen, for his attendance as their clerk; and that the sum of 12*l.* has been paid to James Fannin and David McHardie, printers, for their accounts for sundry advertisements:

That as no further vouchers have been produced, the committee submit to the house the examination of Robert Kerr, esquire, taken in the most solemn manner, in reply to questions propounded by the committee on all such matters as relate to the expenditure of the monies granted for the building of barracks at Great-River.

*NOTE, For the papers referred to in the above report see appendix, No. XXVIII.*

Ordered, That the above report, as also the report made by the chairman of the commissioners appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, on Tuesday last, and ordered to lie on the table, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

A member,

A member, in his place, laid before the house an account of the expenditure of a sum of money granted for the use of the barracks at Montego-Bay.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXIX.*

A member, in his place, laid before the house an account of the expenditure of a sum of money granted for supplying with water his majesty's 16th regiment of foot, and for the hire of pioneers for the said regiment.

NOTE, *For account see appendix, No. XXX.*

Ordered, That the said two accounts do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported three resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 52*l.* to Samuel Bell, for his care of the barracks at Savan-la-Mar during the present year; as by a certificate of the members of the parish, agreeably to a clause in the poll-tax law of last year.

2. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of the commissioners for forts, fortifications, and public buildings, the sum of 300*l.* for the purpose of putting in order Fort-Charlotte, at Lucea.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, to be by them laid out and expended in making an embankment for the security of the town of Bath from the encroachment of Plantain-Garden-River; as by the petition of the inhabitants of the said town to the house this session:

And then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

**By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Atkinan to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.**

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*  
Clerk,



Udencis, 5<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Prayers,** THE engrossed bill to entitle Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Sarah Evans, Francis Catanach, Ann Deans, and Dorothy Henly, free quadroons, and Ann Deans Clark and James Deans Clark, free mustees, the children of the said Dorothy Henly, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the re-commitment of the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Fitch took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses ; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for altering and amending an act entitled, “ An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate, for building a bridge over the Rio Cobre, in and by two several acts, one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776 ;” and for other purposes :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Batty took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Batty, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made

made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act for altering and amending an act entitled, ‘ An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate, for building a bridge over the Rio Cobre, in and by two several acts, one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776 ;’ and for other purposes.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased ; and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Swaby took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Swaby, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house :

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased ; and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave.”

Mr. Cockburn, according to order, presented to the house a bill for amending an act entitled, “ An act to regulate the militia ; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia ; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war ; and for other purposes ;” which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Vaughan, according to order, presented to the house a bill for regulating the police of the town of Montego-Bay, in the parish of St. James ; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Galbraith, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island ; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong ; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling or punch houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors ; which was received, and read the first time :

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Fitch, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to establish a guard in the town of Kingston for the safety and protection thereof;" and for the better regulating the police within the said town, and for other purposes; which was received, *nem. con.* and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Batty, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill to amend and explain an act entitled, "An act to enable the directors of the Milk-River Bath to purchase lands;" which was received, *nem. con.* and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee to whom the petition of the inhabitants and others of the vicinity of Rio-Bueno river, in the parish of Delawny, was referred, reported,

That the committee had examined the account current between the Rio-Bueno turnpike and the estate of Colin Campbell, deceased, and find, that, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December instant, the balance due his estate amounted to 732*l.* 6*s.* That the gross proceeds of the turnpike amount annually on an average to 335*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* That the interest and the contingent expences amounting to 150*l.* being deducted therefrom, leaves on an average a balance of about 245*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* towards paying off the debt, which, in all probability, will be discharged in three years; and therefore the committee recommend to the house to deny the prayer of the petition:

Resolved, That the house do disagree to the report.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to regulate the proceedings of the justices and vestrymen, in vestry assembled;

The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

*Ayes*, 5—Mr. Wallen, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Christie, and Mr. Woolfrys:

*Noes*, 20—Mr. Ellis, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Rennalls, Mr. Batty, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Muray, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Osborn, and Mr. Galbraith:

So it passed in the negative.

A motion being made, that a clause be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 300*l.* to the order of the trustees for the road leading from Pepper Pen, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, over Mayday-Hill, to Dry-River, in the parish of Clarendon, to enable them to discharge a debt due by the said road, principally accruing from the passage of two bills as private bills, and extra labour and expence in repairing large breaches made in the said road by unusual torrents of rain in the last year; the toll arising from the turnpikes on the said road being inadequate to the payment of the said debt, and keeping it in repair;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.



The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported two resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 180*l.* 10*s.* 8*½d.* to the attornies of John Henderson, esquire (a i absentee), being so much due him for lodgings furnished fundry officers of his majesty's 20th and 49th regiments of foot, at Port-Henderson; as by his petition to the house this session.

2. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of John Briffett, esquire, captain of Fort-Charlotte, the sum of 171*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for his pay and lodging-money for one year, due 1st December inst.

Then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

Barbadoes, 9<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

1794. **M**R. Speaker acquainted the house that the leave of absence granted to Mr. Murphy was expired, and that he had not applied for further leave:

Resolved, That the said Mr. Murphy be expelled, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A member, in his place, having informed the house of the death of Samuel Barrett, esquire, one of the representatives for the parish of Trelawny;

And a motion being made, that a message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor acquainting him therewith, that a new writ might issue;

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to give directions for issuing a writ to choose a representative for the parish of Trelawny, in the room of Samuel Barrett, esquire, deceased: Also, one other writ to choose a representative for the parish of St. Mary, in the room of Thomas Murphy, esquire, expelled the house:”

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart and Mr. Henckell be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

According to order, the list being called over, and it appearing that Mr. Halsted, Mr. Barrett, and Mr. White, were absent;

Mr. Speaker acquainted the house, that they severally had leave from him to be absent, on account of indisposition:

Ordered, That they severally be excused.

The engrossed bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for altering and amending “ An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate, for building a bridge over the Rio Cobre, in and by two several acts, one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776:” and for other purposes, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging

belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased; and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass:

Ordered, That Mr. Swaby have leave to petition the council on the passage of the bill for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased; and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported one resolution; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, was agreed unto by the house, and is as follows:

That it be recommended to the house to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, informing him, that if his majesty will be graciously pleased to augment the number of officers of the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, to consist of one lieutenant-colonel commandant, one other lieutenant-colonel, one major, three captains, one captain-lieutenant, five lieutenants, and six cornets, that the said regiment may be divided into six troops instead of four, the house will provide for the additional expence thereof, as long as the number of privates is kept complete, according to the original establishment agreed upon:

Then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That Peter Grant, Robert Kerr, Donald Campbell, and George M'Lenan, esquires, do severally attend this house to-morrow, at two of the clock in the afternoon, to be examined concerning a bill now before the house, to authorize and enable individuals to convert Meagre-Bay, being part of Montego-Bay, into a close harbour, by building a mole on the reef that crosses the said Meagre-Bay; and for other purposes.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

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**Prayers.** ORDERED, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to inform you, that if his majesty will be graciously pleased to augment the number of officers of the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, to consist of one lieutenant-colonel commandant, one other lieutenant-colonel, one major, three captains, one captain-lieutenant, five lieutenants, and six cornets, that the said regiment may be divided into six troops instead of four, the house will provide for the additional expence thereof, as long as the number of privates is kept complete, according to the original establishment agreed upon.”

Ordered, That Mr. Patty, Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Quarrell, and Mr. Vaughan, be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; and also to carry the engrossed bills, of Friday and Tuesday last, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery of the bills to the council; and that his honour, in answer to the message, was pleased to say, he would transmit it in the most acceptable manner.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Christie took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Christie, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “An act for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses.”

The bill for amending an act entitled, “An act for regulating the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes,” was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling and punch houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors, was read a second time:

Resolved,

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

The bill to authorize and enable individuals to convert Meagre-Bay, being part of Montego-Pa., into a close harbour, by building a mole on the reef that crosses the said Meagre-Bay; and for other purposes, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house immediately:

Then the house resolve itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Batty took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Batty, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress, and that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That the said bill be again committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

Mr. Batty, from the commissioners appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the commissioners having been invested, by a grant of the last session, with a sum of 3000*l.* applicable to discharge the extra expences incurred in building the barracks at Montego-Bay, upon their receiving satisfactory proof that it had been properly laid out, found, upon calling for the accounts, that they had been duly attested and proved, and that orders had been drawn on the receiver-general, at the foot of them severally, signed by the commissioners appointed to carry that work into execution; but had been refused for the reasons stated in the memorial of Isaac Lascelles Winn, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, in the last session. The commissioners of accounts therefore, in pursuance of the directions of the house, thought it their duty to possess themselves of every information necessary to enable them to judge of the propriety of the expence: For this purpose they procured the annexed drawing of the plan and elevation of the permanent barracks at Montego-Bay, and directed that the building should be examined, in order to ascertain its exact correspondence with the said drawing; in consequence of which they found, and have the satisfaction to report, that it is a faithful representation of the barracks as it stood in the month of March last, complete, and in the best order; that it had several months before been delivered to the possession of his majesty's troops, and that in no instance had any orders been drawn, either for materials or work, until after such materials had been worked up, and the work actually done. The commissioners therefore directed the accounts to be audited, and paid to the extent of the sum granted, which, however, has been found insufficient to discharge the debt; as it appears that the memorial above-referred to did not include some accounts then remaining in the possession of one of the commissioners, who was absent from this island; but as it was not in the power of the board to exceed their authority, they have been under the necessity of refusing their sanction to orders drawn on account of the barracks, to the amount of 920*l.* which of course remain in suspense until the house shall think fit to provide for their payment. The commissioners



missioners are of opinion this ought to be done, in justice to the public-spirited exertions of the gentlemen who conducted this undertaking. It has been stated by these gentlemen, that some of the buildings belonging to the temporary barracks remain, and are daily falling to decay; and that if such were applied to the making of jealousies to the balconies of the permanent barracks, it would conduce to the preservation of that building, and furnish accommodations for a much greater number of men; and they represent, that the cost of working up such materials will not exceed the sum of 100*l*. The commissioners think it proper to remark, that the expence of carrying water for the troops has been excessive, and must occur again upon a like occasion, unless avoided by making a proper cistern; which they recommend to the consideration of the house.

Mr. Murray, from the committee appointed to enquire into the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges, for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected, reported,

That they had enquired into the allegations of the petition of the magistrates, vestry, and other inhabitants of the parish of Portland; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l*. to be paid to the order of William Valentine, William Burke senior, William Burke junior, Thomas Oakley, and Charles Douglas, or any three of them, for the purpose of making a road from Port-Antonio, over the mountains, to Bath: Such order to be given on the receiver-general, at the foot of accounts for work done and performed, attested on oath, and not otherwise.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petitions of the freeholders and others inhabiting the upper part of the parishes of St. David and Port-Royal; of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East; of sundry freeholders and others inhabitants of the parishes of Kingston, St. Andrew, and Port-Royal; and of the freeholders and other settlers of the mountainous parts of the parishes of Port-Royal and St. David; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 400*l*. to be paid to the order of John Woolfrys, Thomas Berry, Richard Berry, George Dehancy, and Alexander Aikman, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Hope estate to the Botanic Garden, in Liguanea; the further sum of 400*l*. to the order of Daniel Salt, James Silburn, Abner Mellor, Robert Jackson, and Robert Law, or any three of them, for repairing the road from the Botanic Garden, down Fall-River, to Croasdaile's; and the further sum of 400*l*. to the order of Henry Shirley, Robert Telfer, Peter Robertson, John Stewart, and Samuel Francis, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Croasdaile's, through Halfsted's, to doctor Telfer's: Such orders to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of St. David, on behalf of themselves and others the freeholders and inhabitants of the said parish; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 400*l*. to be paid to the order of the honourable John Scott, Kean Osborn, Joseph Orr, Eliphalet Fitch, Caleb Tonge, or any three of them, for repairing the road leading from Mr. Hatley's tavern to Johnston's Gutt, in the said parish: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East; and of the petition of the justices, vestry, and other inhabitants of the parish of St. David: and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l*. to be paid to the order of Henry Shirley, Peter Robertson,

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Samuel Thompson, Lewis Grant, and Archibald Graham, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Eolus old works, to Petersfield sugar-canes: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. George and Portland, in the vicinity of Swift-River; and also of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew and Port-Royal; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 800*l.* to be paid to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, John Woolfrys, George Cosens, John Murdoch, and Robert Gray, or any three of them, to be applied towards completing the road from the mouth of Swift-River to Mr. Woolfrys's mountain: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew, St. George, Portland, St. David, and Port-Royal; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l.* to be paid to the order of Henry Shirley, John Woolfrys, James Smith, Samuel Carlan, and James Wiles, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Buff-Bay river to Silver-Hill: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry inhabitants of the parish of St. Thomas in the East, on behalf of themselves and the settlers upon a run of land called Clark's River Run; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 100*l.* to be paid to the order of William Kennedy, Robert Paterfon, Robert Whitfinch, James McGibbon, and doctor Cameron, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Stanton-River to the said run of land called Clark's River Run: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of St. George; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l.* to be paid to the order of Peter Churnside, John Ohlson, Edmund Strachan, Hugh Morison, and James Anderson, or any three of them, for making a road from Bybrook to Bachelor's Hall: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of Kingston, St. Mary, and St. George; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 500*l.* to be paid to the order of Richard Clarke, John Ohlson, Peter Churnside, Edmund Strachan, and William Gilmour, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Tom's River to Agualta's Dam: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of certain freeholders and other inhabitants of the several parishes of St. George, St. Andrew, and Portland; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of Rupert Mackay, James Gillepie, the reverend Thomas Simcockes, Matthew Murray, and James Smith, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Buff-Bay, in the parish of St. George, through the parish of St. Andrew to Kingston: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of certain freeholders and other inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew, St. George, Port-Royal, and Kingston; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of Henry Shirley, John Woolfrys, Thomas Berry, William Thame, and Stewart George Dallas, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Thomas's Gra's-Piece to Coldspring-Hill: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of certain freeholders and other inhabitants of the parishes of Port-Royal, St. Andrew, St. David, and Kingston; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l.* to be paid to the order of Samuel Whitehorne Barnet, George Riches, Samuel Carsan, Bernard La Gourgue, and Dennis La Gourgue, or any three of them, for the purpose of making a road from Hope-River to the lands of George Riches, Bernard and Dennis La Gourgue, and others: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Andrew and St. Thomas in the Vale, and of the merchants and factors in the town of Kingston; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l.* to be paid to the order of Archibald Galbraith, James Cockburn, Simon Gibbs, Thomas Cockburn, and Donald McBean, or any three of them, for the purpose of altering and repairing the road leading from the Wagwater tavern to Glenn Goffe's plantation, in St. Thomas in the Vale, and from thence over the mountains into the parish of St. Mary, leading to Port-Maria and Annotto-Bay: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the magistrates, freeholders, and inhabitants, of the parish of Portland; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l.* to be paid to the order of George Minot, Edward Wilson, Samuel Orr, Thomas Betts, and Francis King, or any three of them, towards altering and improving about three miles of the road extending from Well-Bay to Turtle-Crawle: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Mary; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of David Shaw, Theophilus Lyons, Henry Archbould, John Izard Wright, and Francis McDermot, or any three of them, for the purpose of repairing the road from Berkshire-Hall estate, in St. Thomas in the Vale, to Hermon-Hill estate, in St. Mary's: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Mary; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 100*l.* to be paid to the order of David Shaw, Theophilus Lyons, Henry Archbould, John Izard Wright, and Francis McDermot, or any three of them, for completing the road from Maiden-Hall gate to Nancy-Gully, in said parish: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parishes of St. Mary and St. Thomas in the Vale; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 700*l.* to be paid to the order of Alexander Wright, Charles Jones, John Neilson, William Parker, and William Reid, or any three of them, for completing the road from Palmeto-Grove estate, in St. Mary's, to join the high road leading to the town of St. Jago de la Vega: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders of the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 150*l.* to be paid to the order of Philip Redwood, John Blackburn, Alexander Wright, and William Caldwell, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Guy's Hill, in St. Mary's, through Wallen's, New Works, and Burton's, towards Spanish-Town: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

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That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Mary; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 200*l.* to be paid to the order of Simon Taylor, William Ross, and John Saller, for completing the road from Dears's mountain to Saller's, leading from said parish to the town of Kingston: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the magistrates, vestry, and freeholders, of the parishes of St. Mary and St. Thomas in the Vale; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 450*l.* to be paid to the order of William Ross, Anthony Yeates, Angus Mackay, Robert Page, and John Milligan, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Williamsfield Dam, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, to the line of boundary with St. Mary's: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Ann; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 500*l.* to be paid to the order of George Goodin Barrett, Charles Steer, William Voce, Benjamin Hunter, and John Symphon, or any three of them, for completing the road from Brownrigg's penn to Symphon's gate, through Kelly's penn, in said parish: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Ann; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of George Goodin Barrett, the honourable John Tharp, Henry John Wisdom, Job Dale, and Thomas Walker, or any three of them, for completing the road from Symphon's gate to the east gate of Hull's penn, now belonging to the honourable John Tharp, in said parish: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders of the parish of St. Ann; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 400*l.* to be paid to the order of George Goodin Barrett, the honourable John Tharp, Henry John Wisdom, Job Dale, and Thomas Walker, or any three of them, for completing the road from the east gate of Hull's penn, now belonging to the honourable John Tharp, in St. Ann's, to the intersection of the road leading from Dry-Harbour to Clarendon: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Catherine; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 150*l.* to be paid to the order of John Verdon, Isaac Titford, Francis Clark, David Dickson, and Lewis Correvont, or any three of them, for repairing the road leading from Spanish-Town bridge, over the mountains, to the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of several of the freeholders of the parishes of St. Catherine, St. John, and St. Thomas in the Vale, and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 150*l.* to be paid to the order of Andrew Johnstone, Samuel Queneborough, James Lewis, James Taylor, and Robert Souper Bayley, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Spanish-Town to Guanaboa: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parish of Clarendon; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum  
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of 500*l.* to be paid to the order of Theodore Foulks, John Henckell, William Thompson, Alexander Falconer, William Israel, James Hewitt, and John May, or any three of them, towards completing a road from Cave-River-Barrack, through Bog-Hole, in the said parish: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders of the parish of Vere; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of Richard Batty, John Henckell, Kean Osborn, George Rodon, James Craggs, John Ashley, and James Mitchell, or any three of them, for making the road from the lower part of the parish of Vere, through Harris's Savanna, to Hayes's Savanna: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of Vere; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of Thomas Anderson, Adam Smith, John Anderson, Francis Farquhar, and John Gall Booth, or any three of them, for repairing the road from Milk-River, over Plowdon-Hill, in said parish: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parishes of St. John and St. Thomas in the Vale; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 400*l.* to be paid to the order of William Thompson, Peeke Fuller, Charles Grant, Rose Price, and John Quier, for completing the road from the Vale of Luidas to the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parishes of St. Mary and St. Thomas in the Vale; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 100*l.* to be paid to the order of Archibald Galbraith, Donald McBean, and Anthony Yeates, towards completing the road from Louilbourgh plantation, in St. Mary's, to Glenn Goffe's, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of sundry freeholders of the parish of St. Elizabeth; and do recommend to the house to direct the sum of 450*l.* to be paid to the order of Isaac Lafcelles Winn, Richard Heath, Charles Rowe, John Laird, and John Largie, or any three of them, towards completing the road commonly called the Elderfley road: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of the parish of St. Elizabeth; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 1000*l.* to be paid to the order of John Henckell, the reverend Thomas Warren, John White, James Davy, and Robert Glasgow, or any three of them, towards making and completing the road from the Bogue-Pastures to Grove-Place, commonly called the Mile-Gully road: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the inhabitants of the parish of St. Elizabeth; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 450*l.* to be paid to the order of the reverend Thomas Warren, Charles Rowe, John Laird, Robert Glasgow, and Philip Anglin Scarlett, or any three of them, towards completing the road commonly called the Chesterfield road: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of Hanover; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 400*l.* to be paid

paid to the order of George Murray, Thomas Reid, George Malcolm, Robert Kerr, and John Hylton, towards making and completing a road from Great-River to Carpenter's Hill; the further sum of 600*l.* to the order of Donald Malcolm, David Connell, Joseph Briest, George Malcolm, and Patrick Spence, or any three of them, towards making and completing a road from Lucea to Glasgow estate; and the further sum of 300*l.* to the order of Robert Kerr, Patrick Gray, William Hudson, Robert Scarlett, and Alexander Mackenzie, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Flint-River to Carpenter's Hill: Such orders to be given as aforesaid.

That they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and others of the parish of St. Ann; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 1500*l.* to be paid to the order of George Goodin Barrett, the honourable John Tharp, Job Dale, Henry John Wisdom, and James Galloway, or any three of them, towards making and completing the windward part of the great back road leading from Montego-Bay, through the interior part of the parishes of St. James, Trelawny, and St. Ann, from Voce's gate, on the road from Pedro's Valley, to the intersection of the St. Ann's road: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

And that they had also enquired into the allegations of the petition of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of Westmorland; and recommend to the house to direct the sum of 300*l.* to be paid to the order of George Murray, James Wedderburn, Samuel Jeffries, Sir David Kinloch, and John Rogers, or any three of them, towards making a road from the junction of the Barrack-Road, through Darliston, Lenox, and other settlements, to the line of St. Elizabeth: Such order to be given as aforesaid.

Ordered, That the above two reports be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Mr. Rodon, from the commissioners appointed by the act for erecting a statue to Lord Rodney, and for building offices for the reception and better preserving of the public records, laid before the house an extract from the minutes of their proceedings of this day; also a state of the funds applicable to the order of the said commissioners:

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Ordered, That the receiver-general do, out of any monies in his hands unappropriated, pay the sum of three thousand pounds to the order of the commissioners appointed by the act for erecting a statue to Lord Rodney, and for building offices for the reception and better preserving of the public records, to be applied towards erecting and building the said edifices and buildings; and that this or any future assembly will make good the same.

Mr. Swaby, from the committee to whom the petition of David Schaw, of the parish of St. James, was referred, reported, that they had enquired into the allegations therein set forth; and recommend to the house to deny the prayer thereof:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report.

The resolution moved in the house on Friday last, for paying the sum of 300*l.* to the order of the trustees for the road leading from Pepper-Pen, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, over Mayday-Hill, to Dry-River, in the parish of Clarendon, to enable them to discharge a debt due by the said road, principally accruing from the passage of two bills as private

bills, and extra labour and expence in repairing large breaches made in the said road by unusual torrents of rain in the last year, the toll arising from the turnpikes on the said road being inadequate to the payment of the said debt, and keeping it in repair, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Ordered, That Archibald Galbraith, Henry Shirley, Donald Campbell, William Bond, and William Fyfe, be appointed commissioners for carrying into execution the grant of the house in 1793, towards repairing the road from Temple-Hall gate to the conflux of Tom's River, in the parish of St. Andrew, in the room of the former commissioners, two of whom have gone off the island without executing the same.

Ordered, That there be a call of the house to-morrow, at one of the clock.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

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Jobis, 11<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

THE engrossed bill for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to authorize and enable individuals to convert Meagre-Bay, being part of Montego-Bay, into a close harbour, by building a mole on the reef that crosses the said Meagre-Bay; and for other purposes:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Batty took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Batty, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress; and that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

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The bill to amend and explain an act entitled, "An act to enable the directors of the Milk-River Bath to purchase land," was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to amend and explain an act entitled, 'An act to enable the directors of the Milk-River Bath to purchase land.'"

A motion being made, that the committee to whom any of the money-bills stands committed do receive a clause for paying to the directors of the Milk-River Bath the sum of 500*l.* to be laid out by them in the purchase of land, and erecting buildings for the accommodation of persons resorting to the said Bath on account of their health, the sum of 200*l.* granted in the last session of assembly, being altogether inadequate to such purposes;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Mr. Stewart, according to order, presented to the house a bill to enable the justices and vestry of the parish of Trelawny to lay a tax for erecting a church and a parsonage-house in the said parish, and for purchasing lands for those purposes, as well as for a burial-ground, and erecting a new court-house and public building in the said parish; and for other purposes; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stewart, according to order, presented to the house a bill for the better regulating the town of Falmouth, in the parish of Trelawny; to provide against accidents by fire; and for other purposes; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Stewart, according to order, presented to the house a bill to enable certain commissioners, of the parish of Trelawny, to collect a tax upon all vessels entering and clearing out of the harbour of Falmouth, in the said parish, and for laying a tax on the inhabitants of the said parish, for the improvement of the said harbour; and for other purposes; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary;

Ordered, That Mr. Redwood, Mr. Woolfrys, and Mr. Rodon, be a committee for that purpose.

Mr. Shirley, from the commissioners appointed by an act passed last session, entitled, "An act to appoint certain commissioners for the better carrying into execution the several appropriations made, or to be made, for the use of the buildings belonging to the public, and the barracks in the towns of St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston, and at the Apostles Battery, Port-Royal, Fort-Augusta, Rock-Fort, and Stony-Hill," reported,

That having, in the course of last year, been able to ascertain the benefit arising to the public, by contracting with certain persons for supplying the whole of the lumber and ironmongery.

mongerv, which might be necessary for the different public buildings and barracks, at a stated price, instead of suffering the tradesmen to provide the same on their own account, and consequently at an advanced rate, they entered into contract with messieurs Laine and Ewing, and Hugh Pogle and Co. for the supply of lumber; and with messieurs B. now and Parke for ironmongerv; which contracts are entered in the books belonging to the commissioners, and now before the house:

That in consequence of the grant of 6000*l.* having been made to them in the nature of a vote of credit, and not limited for any specific purpose, it appeared to the commissioners, that as very considerable detachments of His Majesty's forces were early in the present year, ordered to St. Domingo, it would be advisable to take that opportunity of putting some one of the barracks into complete repair, instead of making partial repairs and additions to the whole:

That a letter was accordingly written to the commander in chief's secretary, by order of the board, desiring to know whether his honour approved of the plan, and whether the putting the barracks at Port-Royal into thorough repair did not appear to be most eligible: And his honour having been pleased to signify his approbation of the plan, and the election the commissioners had made, they entered into contract with Peter M<sup>r</sup> Tavish, mason, and messieurs James and David Aird, carpenters, for erecting a balcony on the south and west side of the artillery barrack, in addition to the repairs and alterations stated in the report made to the house last session:

That in order to confine themselves within the funds applicable to their order, they were under the necessity of postponing some alterations and additions which were considered least essential until next year: And they have further to observe, that their funds have been considerably decreased by fulfilling certain engagements entered into by the honourable commissioners for forts, fortifications, and public buildings, previous to the passing of the act appointing the present commissioners. These different engagements, together with the order of this house for erecting a governor's house at Bath, amount to 1250*l.* or thereabouts.

That in order to lay before the house, early in the present session, an account of their transactions in the course of the present year, they appointed a committee of their board to visit the different barracks and public buildings under their jurisdiction, and to report as to the state of forwardness in which the several contracts are, the manner in which the work has been executed, and also to judge what repairs or additions may be necessary to order in the course of the present year; and further, to ascertain what number of men each barrack is capable of containing.

#### P O R T - R O Y A L.

That the committee visited the barracks and buildings at Port-Royal; and found that the contracts entered into by Peter M<sup>r</sup> Tavish, and messieurs James and David Aird, were in a state of forwardness. But the commissioners have here to observe, that, in consequence of the great interruption which has been given to the trade with America by the French cruizers, the tradesmen have been much retarded from performing their contracts, by reason of the public contractors not being able to obtain in the island a sufficient quantity of the necessary articles of lumber and shingles:

That the work already done has been executed in a proper and workman-like manner:

That,

That, upon examining into the repairs still necessary to be done, they find that the east end of the artillery barrack requires to be balconied:

That a tank ought to be sunk near the boat-house for the water contractor, wherein to lodge the water for the troops; the present reservoir being situated within the fort, and the water-casks are obliged to be rolled over the parade. The roof of the negro-huts requires to be raised, to admit of a proper fall, and to be new shingled. There is no canteen belonging to the artillery barrack, and it is necessary that one should be built. A brick and a half wall to be built to officers store-room, underneath the mess-room, as the brick-work of the upper story is now supported by a common beam, which is considerably sunk. A necessary is wanting for the artillery-hospital; and the hospital requires shingling to the pitch of the roof. These repairs and additions will put the whole barrack and buildings into the most complete order, and will afford quarters for the artillery and four companies of infantry, upon the war establishment.

#### F O R T - A U G U S T A.

All the contracts of Fort-Augusta are completed. The oven is much out of repair; the floor requires to be raised; that a balcony ought to be erected at the north and west side of the soldiers barrack; the present windows to be enlarged; and the barrack to be new floored, and moving platforms to be substituted in the room of fixed platforms; the floor of the island-store requires to be raised and paved. The situation of the wharf for receiving the water-casks is such, that the soldiers are obliged to roll the water-casks above a foot under water for a very considerable distance: It is necessary that this wharf should be removed to a spot more contiguous to the cisterns, and better adapted to the purpose. The shed-rooms are much out of repair, particularly the jealousies and windows. Two rooms in the captain's quarters require ceiling. Some trifling repairs are also wanting to the kitchen, wash-house, and stable; the quarters to be pallisaded round. The commanding officer's quarters are much out of repair. The windows in the north side of the officers barracks require to be jealousied, and some others boarded up. These barracks, after undergoing the repairs and additions proposed by the commissioners, will be fully able to accommodate eight companies of infantry.

#### S T O N Y - H I L L.

All the contracts at Stony-Hill are completed. The guard-room wants platforms, and some of the windows are out of repair. A turret to be built over the cook-room, to prevent smoke. A gallery, ten feet wide, ought to be built at the north side of the soldiers barrack, to keep off the violence of the north winds. Nineteen windows at the old barrack require to be enlarged, to admit a free circulation of air. In its present condition, it has been found highly injurious to the health of the troops quartered there: With the foregoing repairs and improvements, the two barracks at Stony-Hill will afford quarters for one complete regiment.

#### K I N G S T O N G A O L.

The Kingston gaol, which the commissioners have hitherto only been able, from the limited state of their funds, to give partial repairs to, still requires very considerable repair.

#### K I N G S T O N B A R R A C K S.

The contracts at the barracks in Kingston are all finished. The canteen requires to be  
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filled up. Shirting-boards to the inside of the soldiers barracks, and some additional platforms, are wanting to the guard-room. The piazzas to the officers barrack require to be close-boarded below, and the upper part to be boarded. The partitions between the apartments to be carried up to the roof. The situation of the present staircase requires to be altered. This barrack is capable of containing six companies.

### *SPANISH - TOWN.*

The contracts at the king's house are finished. There are still some articles of plumbers work, and also some alterations in the new kitchen. necessary.

That, after giving credit for the various contracts still existing and remaining to be paid, there is a balance remaining in the receiver-general's hands, applicable to the order of the board, of 700*l*.

### *LIGHT DRAGOONS.*

That the barrack, at present occupied by the 20th light dragoons, is in a very decayed state, and insufficient to accommodate the regiment, when completed to its full complement of 300 men :

That this building is not the property of the public, but belongs to private individuals: Considerable repairs will be necessary for its immediate preservation. The commissioners therefore recommend to the consideration of the house, how far it may be proper to erect a new barrack, and to take some steps towards ordering the same, in the event of the regiment of cavalry being continued at head-quarters. An hospital will also remain to be provided for this regiment, as the island store is at present converted into an hospital, and the island is at an annual expence of 120*l. per annum* for a building wherein to lodge the public stores.

### *SPANISH - TOWN BARRACKS.*

That the new barrack in Spanish-Town will be finished, and ready for the reception of the troops, in the month of May next.

The commissioners have further to observe, that, by an invoice laid before the board, the receiver-general has imported certain lustres and other fixtures for the new supper-room at the king's house, amounting to the sum of 499*l. 13s. 7d.* sterling; and that there is due to John Sanders the sum of 46*l. 7s. 6d.* currency, for fixing the same; which sums they recommend to the house to be paid.

That the repairs for the ensuing year, calculating lumber and other materials at the price of the present contract, will amount to 13,000*l.* or thereabouts. The commissioners therefore recommend to the house, that a sum not exceeding 13,000*l.* should be granted to their order, leaving it to the discretion of the commissioners to order or postpone such parts of the public work as will admit of delay, according as the price of lumber and materials may prove to be at the expiration of the present public contract. But the house will observe, that, in the event of a new barrack and hospital being ordered for the 20th regiment of light dragoons, a further grant will be necessary; the amount of which the commissioners cannot at present ascertain.

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THE BOARD OF WORKS *in account current with the* PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

1794,

*Dr.*

Nov. 20.	To balance remaining at this date in the hands of the receiver-general, applicable to the order of this board	-	-	-	7022	14	5½
	To amount of Abraham Cohen De Leon's bond, for the rent of the rooms to the westward of the gaol in Spanish-Town, due 31st December next	-	-	-	35	15	6½
					7058	10	0

DITTO,

*Cr.*

-	By balance due Miles and John Williams, for their contract at the new barrack in Spanish-Town	-	-	-	1150	0	0
	By ditto due John Butter, for his ditto at ditto	-	-	-	2000	0	0
	By ditto due Peter M'Tavish, for his ditto at Port-Royal	-	-	-	133	5	7½
	By amount of James and David Aird's contract for Port-Royal	-	-	-	700	0	0
	By ditto ditto for ditto	-	-	-	410	0	0
	By ditto of Peter M'Tavish, for Fort-Augusta	-	-	-	163	13	4
	By ditto of ditto, for Apostles Battery	-	-	-	188	11	10½
	By ditto of William Polson, for ditto	-	-	-	175	0	0
	By ditto of John Morton, for dragoon barrack	-	-	-	16	0	0
	By ditto of Laing & Ewing and Hugh Bogle & Co.	-	-	-	525	0	0
	By ditto Burrow and Parke, for ironmongery	-	-	-	460	0	0
	By ditto John Henderson, for carriage	-	-	-	110	0	0
	By 12 months rent, which will be due R. S. Woodham, the 17th July next, for land taken as part of the dragoon barrack	-	-	-	50	0	0
	By 12 months rent to George Cooke, due same day	-	-	-	25	0	0
	By 6 months rent to Francis Smart, for an island-store, due 6th April next	-	-	-	60	0	0
	By this sum ordered to be expended by the surveyor of public works, in repairs necessary to be done to the house of assembly,				1.20		
1794,	Deduct, already paid John Welsh, for white-washing, &c.				1.11—9	0	0
Nov. 19.	By amount of Robert Haylett's contract for plumbers work, at the king's house	-	-	-	129	11	3
					6305	2	1
	N. B. The blacksmiths work cannot be ascertained until they render in their account; say				53	7	11

Mr. Shirley, from the committee appointed for superintending the Botanical Gardens of this island, reported,

That the committee, with a view to extend the cultivation of our most valuable plants, immediately appointed separate committees for each county, to receive and distribute the allotments destined for them; and according as sufficient numbers were prepared for propagation, the chairmen of the county committees have been apprized, and their respective proportions delivered and distributed; by which means the public has derived all the advantages to be expected from this establishment. That the committee have requested the lieutenant-governor to take such opportunities as may offer, to apply to the commanders in chief for his Catholic majesty, in order to procure the most valuable productions of South America;

America, and necessary steps have been also taken to enrich our collection from other parts of the world :

That the prosperous condition of the gardens at Bath and in Liguanea, and the number of plants which have been already distributed at different periods from each, and are continually preparing, have enabled the committee to pass an order directing that his honour the Lieutenant-governor, the members of his majesty's privy-council, and the members of this house, shall be supplied henceforward, from both gardens, with such plants as they may choose severally to write for, except only the bread-fruit, which has not as yet shot out suckers for distribution :

That the committee have been under the necessity of incurring considerable expences at the outset of this undertaking: They found the furniture of the house at the garden in Liguanea to be such only as was indispensable, and they thought it proper to purchase it, to the amount of 183*l.* 5*s.* They were obliged to clothe the negroes, and to maintain them a considerable time; to buy garden tools, utensils, &c. All which, together with the monies paid Mr. Wiles on account of salary, are stated in an account hereto annexed :

That the committee found, upon inspecting the bread-fruit nursery at Bath, that a small part of it had been carried away by the encroachment of the river; and, in order to protect the rest, they directed an embankment to be built, which has been completed in a satisfactory manner, for the sum of 50*l.* This, when paid, will nearly exhaust the grant of last session; and there remains an account of 319*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.* for negro labour at the nursery at Bath, provisions and contingencies, still to be provided for: But, in order to avoid this expence in future, the committee have come to an agreement with Mr. Wiles to allow him 100*l.* *per ann.* in lieu of negro labour, and for his care and attendance at the nursery.

*Account of monies paid out of the grant of 800*l.* in the rum law of last session, to the committee for superintending the BOTANICAL GARDENS of this island; viz.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Paid three quarters salary, due and ending the 31st July last - -	336	15	0
Paid for amount of furniture at the house in Liguanea - -	183	5	0
Paid wharfage due on shipping plants, <i>per</i> his majesty's ship Providence -	12	11	3
Paid for onaburghs, pennistones, bills and hoes - -	55	0	8
Paid for salt provisions, &c. for the negroes, and sundry expences at the meetings of the committee at Bath and Liguanea - -	154	4	10
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Ordered, That the above two reports be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Mr. Grant, from the committee appointed to enquire into what losses have been sustained of late by captures of shipping bound to and near to the coast of this island, and also what losses have been sustained by the drowing and coasting vessels round the island, and what protection has been given by his majesty's ships on this station, reported,

That the committee had received information from persons residing at the out-ports of the island, respecting the subject of their enquiry, and had called such persons before them as they thought most capable of furnishing them with authentic information, whose examination



ation they have taken in the most solemn manner, and do find, that, since the 1st of January last, there have been made not only an extraordinary number of captures of vessels near to the coast and belonging to this island, but that the north side and north-east end of the island in particular have been greatly infested with privateers, or small sloops of war, which have rendered the coasting navigation very dangerous, and occasioned the premiums of insurance from the north side to Kingston, the great emporium of the island, to be sometimes as high as  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

That the protection afforded by his majesty's ships on this station has been chiefly confined to the periods when the fleets were about sailing to England with convoy; but that in general, at other periods, the out-ports and coasts of the island have been defenceless and unprotected:

That the committee are of opinion, that some of the convoys which have been appointed to conduct the fleets from this island to Great-Britain have been scanty and insufficient:

That it appears, from a letter addressed by admiral Ford to the chairman of the committee, that his majesty's service at St. Domingo rendered it impossible for the admiral, with the ships under his command, to afford that protection to the commerce of this island which he wished: And therefore the committee submit to the consideration of the house, that some permanent naval protection for the coasting trade of this island is highly and indispensably necessary, for the security of property, and the safety of individuals whose peaceable but useful avocations expose them to constant alarm and frequent dangers from the enemy:

Resolved, That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered, That a copy of the above report, and resolution thereon, be transmitted to the committee of correspondence; and that it be recommended to the said committee, to instruct the agent to apply for some permanent protection for the coasting trade of this island.

A motion being made, that the receiver-general be directed to order out, for the use of the assembly-room, two handsome chandeliers, to hold eighteen candles each, with reflectors to throw the light downwards; also two handsome reflecting lamps, one to be placed at the first landing-place of the staircase, the other at the side of the door into the assembly-room; and also one hundred weight of wax candles: And that he do also order out a handsome silver inkstand, for the speaker's table: The expence of which several articles this or any future assembly will make good;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Ordered, That the receiver-general do cause the clock, now in the assembly-room, to be removed to one of the offices belonging to the king's house.

A motion being made, that the receiver-general be directed to order out, for the use of the assembly-room, a clock more suitable for the purpose for which it was intended than the present one; and this or any future assembly will make good the expence thereof;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter he had received from Mr. Taylor, requesting leave of absence for the recovery of his health:

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Ordered,

Ordered, That he have leave of absence until his recovery.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the House, I do appoint Alexander Akman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same,  
W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Tuesday, 12<sup>o</sup> Decemb<sup>r</sup>, 1794.

THE engrossed bill to amend and explain an act entitled, "An act to enable the directors of the Milk-River Bath to purchase land," was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for amending an act entitled, "An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes."

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Cockburn took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Cockburn, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for amending an act entitled, 'An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes.'"

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling and punch houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Galbraith took the chair of the committee.

Mr.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Galbraith, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling and punch houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors.”

The bill to amend an act entitled, “ An act to establish a guard in the town of Kingston, for the safety and protection thereof;” and for the better regulating the police within the said town; and for other purposes, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house this day; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to amend an act entitled, “ An act to establish a guard in the town of Kingston, for the safety and protection thereof;” and for the better regulating the police within the said town; and for other purposes:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Fitch took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to amend an act entitled, ‘ An act to establish a guard in the town of Kingston, for the safety and protection thereof;’ and for the better regulating the police within the said town; and for other purposes.”

The bill to enable the justices and vestry of the parish of Trelawny to lay a tax for erecting a church and parsonage in the said parish, and for purchasing lands for those purposes, as well as for a burial-ground, and erecting a new court-house and public building in the said parish, and for other purposes, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.



The bill to enable certain commissioners, of the parish of Trelawny, to collect a tax upon all vessels entering and clearing out of the harbour of Falmouth, in the said parish; and for laying a tax on the inhabitants of the said parish, for the improvement of the said harbour; and for other purposes, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow; and that the committee have power to receive clauses.

Mr. Redwood, according to order, presented to the house a bill to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the two last letters received from Stephen Fuller, esquire, our late agent, and also his accounts, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the thanks of this house be given to Stephen Fuller, esquire, for his long and faithful services as agent of this island, through a period of thirty years, during which time he ever displayed great zeal and attention to the general welfare of this country; and also for his liberally advancing, on proper occasions, his private funds for the public use; and that Mr. Speaker do transmit the same in the most acceptable manner:

Resolved, *nem. con.* That a clause be inserted in the poll-tax bill, directing the receiver-general to remit, to the order of Stephen Fuller, esquire, the sum of 500 guineas, to be by him laid out in the purchase of a piece of plate, as a testimony of the high estimation this house entertains for his long and faithful services, during the time that he has been our agent in England.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That a clause be inserted in the poll-tax bill, directing the receiver-general to remit to Robert Sewell, esquire, the agent for this island, the sum of two hundred pounds sterling, for the ensuing year, as a full compensation for all petty charges and expences.

Ordered, That the two following messages be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

*First message.*

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, to assure you, that the house entertains a high sense of the great attention of lieutenant-colonel Sanford, and, in his absence, of major Incedon, captain Anson, and the rest of the officers of his majesty's 20th regiment of light dragoons, to the discipline and health of the men; and to request that your honour will be pleased to communicate the sentiments of the house to those gentlemen in the most acceptable manner.”

*Second message.*

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to represent, that several members of the house have been under the necessity of neglecting their own private concerns, in order to attend to public business, which has been uncommonly urgent and extensive; and to request, that your honour will be pleased to delay the sailing of the packet for one week.”

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley and Mr. Woolfrys be a committee to wait on his honour with the above messages; who returning, reported the delivery thereof; and that, in answer to the first message, his honour was pleased to say, he would communicate it to the officers of the light dragoons in the most acceptable manner; and, in answer to the second message, he would comply with the wishes of the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported two resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where the first resolution being again read, was agreed unto by the house, and is as follows:

That it be recommended to the house to refer the accounts of Stephen Fuller, esquire, our late agent, to the commissioners appointed for stating and settling the public accounts; and to authorize them to direct the receiver-general to pay to the order of the said Mr. Fuller, out of any monies to arise by virtue of any act passed or to be passed this session, the balance that shall appear due to him, free of all charges.

The second resolution being again read, is as follows:

That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the rum bill, authorizing and directing the receiver-general for the time being to pay, in England, to the order of the committee of correspondence, such committee not to consist of less than five members of the council and twenty-one members of the assembly, a sum not exceeding 5000*l.* sterling, out of any monies arising by virtue of this or any other act passed or to be passed this session, for the exigencies of this island:

And a motion being made, that the house do agree thereto;

The house divided:

The noes went forth:

*Ayes*, 16—Mr. Shirley, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Deans, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Grant, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Batty, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Christie, and Mr. Osborn:

*Noes*, 8—Mr. Woolfrys, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Foulks, and Mr. Cockburn:

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

A motion being made, that the committee to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed do receive a clause for paying a sum not exceeding 700*l.* to the order of the directors of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, or any five of them, for the purpose of erecting bathing-houses and baths at the fountain, those lately built there having been destroyed by the earth falling upon them from the hill, on the side of which they were erected;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Ashman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

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Sabbati, 13<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Papers.** THE engrossed bill for amending an act entitled, “ An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes,” was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling and punch houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The bill to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary.”

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to enable the justices and vestry of the parish of Trelawny to lay a tax for erecting a church and a parsonage-house in the said parish, and for purchasing lands for those purposes, as well as for a burial-ground, and erecting a new court-house and public building in the said parish, and for other purposes:

Mr.



Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Stewart took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to enable the justices and vestry of the parish of Trelawny to lay a tax for erecting a church and a parsonage-house in the said parish, and for purchasing lands for those purposes, as well as for a burial-ground, and erecting a new court-house and public building in the said parish; and for other purposes."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported thirty-nine resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Nicholas Lechmere, ordnance store-keeper, to the clerk of the cheque, and to the clerk of the ordnance, the sum of 20*l.* each, for lodging-money; according to the account of the royal artillery, sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 19th November last.

2. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of the commander in chief the sum of 332*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* being the amount of the estimate sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 25th November last, for keeping in repair the arms belonging to the country; as also the further sum of 30*l.* as the pay of a non-commissioned officer of the royal artillery, employed as a conductor of stores at Fort-Augusta.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 50*l.* to the order of Henry Burgefs; agreeably to the prayer of his petition to the house this session.

4. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 50*l.* to the order of Edmund Pusey March, superintendant of Scott's Hall maroon town, in the parish of St. Mary, in full for lodging-money for the present year; as by his petition to the house this session.

5. That

5. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of John Sanders, carpenter, the sum of 16*l.* in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

6. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session; and that they report their opinion thereon:

Ordered, That Mr. Grant, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Osborn, be a committee for that purpose.

7. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of David Lyon the sum of 20*l.* in full for sundry services rendered to the public at Port-Henderson; as by his petition sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 27th November last.

8. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of doctor Robert Gordon the sum of 20*l.* for lodging-money, as acting surgeon's mate to the royals for the year 1793.

9. That it be recommended to the house to refuse payment of the account of doctor James Veitch, sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor on the 27th day of November last.

10. That it be recommended to the house to direct the message of the house to his honour the lieutenant-governor, of the 25th November last, together with his honour's answer thereto, to be published in the Royal Gazette, the Gazette of St. Jago de la Vega, and the Cornwall Chronicle, for one month.

11. That it be recommended to the house to appoint a committee to prepare a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, on the subject of certain disaffected persons sent hither from St. Domingo:

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Fitch, be a committee for that purpose.

12. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Charles Hanson the sum of 100*l.* in full for his services as clerk to the commissioners for erecting the temporary and permanent barracks at Montego-Bay and to the committee for establishing the fort at Montego-Bay, during the space of two years.

13. That it be recommended to the house to deny the prayer of the memorial of doctor John Robinson, surgeon to the 20th regiment of light dragoons, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 28th November last.

14. That it be recommended to the house to deny the prayer of the memorial of John Michael Dwyer, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 28th November last.

15. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of George Cooke, supervisor of the St. Catherine's work-house, the sum of 84*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session:

16. That

16. That it be recommended to the house not to provide in future for any labour at the government pen or mountain, unless the same shall have been ordered by the house.

17. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of the churchwardens for the parish of St. James for the time being the sum of 100*l.* expended by that parish in hiring a vessel to go to the Caymanas in pursuit of the Wasp Guineaman, in consequence of a deposition having been made before the magistrates, that the surgeon of the said ship had been murdered by some person or persons on board thereof; as by the petition of the said magistrates to the house this session.

18. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 120*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* to the order of David Dickson, printer, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

19. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 94*l.* 15*s.* to the order of James Fannin, printer, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

20. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 1631*l.* 7*s.* 11*d.* to the order of Alexander Aikman, printer to the house, in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

21. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 28*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* to the order of Strupar, Bennett, and Doddington, printers, in full of the account annexed to their petition to the house this session.

22. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of Donald Campbell, esquire, captain of Fort-Montego, the usual subsistence for the present year, also the sum of 12*l.* 10*s.* for lodging-money to the 1st day of March last; as by his petition to the house this session.

23. That it be recommended to the house to direct the receiver-general, out of the appropriations of the year 1794, to pay to the officers of his majesty's 62d regiment the several sums set opposite their respective names in the account sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor on the 19th day of November last; and that the said receiver-general do pay to the order of the commanding officer of the said regiment the sum of 202*l.* 5*s.* 7½*d.* in full of the contingent account of said regiment; as by the account sent down with the said message.

24. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 68*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* to the order of David Finlayson, late deputy-marshal for the parish of Westmorland; as by the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

25. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 30*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* to the order of Richard Welch, the brother of Walter Welch, deceased, late deputy-marshal for St. Catherine's precinct; as by the account annexed to the petition of the said Richard Welch to the house this session.

26. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-



money-bills for paying to the order of Hugh Frazer, deputy-marshal for Kingston, the sum of 107*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.* in full of the account annexed to his petition to the house this session.

27. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 2043*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* to the order of John Newland, for supplying water to the troops at the Apostles Partery, Fort-Charles, and Fort-Augusta, and for the hire of a market-boat and two wherries and negroes, and for supplying a quantity of crane-rope; as by the account sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor in his message of the 28th day of November last.

28. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 20*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* to the order of Thomas Jenkins, for wharfage, &c. as by the report from the committee of accounts of the 31 day of December instant.

29. That it be recommended to the house to order sixty copies to be printed, for the use of the house, of the report of the committee appointed to take into their consideration such matters as relate to the expenditure of the monies granted for the purpose of erecting barracks at Great-River.

30. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the rum bill to authorize, empower, and require, the commissioners of public accounts to contract and agree with any person or persons for the supplying rations for the sick of the army in this island; or, if they shall think it more expedient, to continue the mode they have at present adopted.

31. That it be recommended to the house to direct the receiver-general to pay to the representatives of John Weir, esquire, late surgeon-general to the forces in this island, the sum of 929*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* being the amount of his expences for necessaries supplied the sick to the 10th May last; and to the purveyor of the forces the sum of 205*l.* for his account to the 2d August last; and that he do charge the same to the appropriations of last year for the use of the sick.

32. That it be recommended to the house to agree to the report made the 10th day of December instant, by the chairman of the committee appointed to enquire into and report the propriety of all such petitions as may be presented to the house this session, for grants of money for public roads and bridges, and for inspecting into and reporting the present state of all public roads and bridges for which monies have been granted by the house, or on which tolls have been erected; and also that a clause or clauses be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the several sums therein mentioned, subject to the restrictions recommended in the said report.

33. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of the commissioners of public accounts the sum of 920*l.* to be by them applied to the payment and discharge of the orders and accounts still outstanding for building the permanent barracks at Montego-Bay, after they have been audited, and duly proved to the satisfaction of the said commissioners.

34. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of George Goodin Barrett, Samuel Vaughan, Isaac Lascelles Winn, John Mowatt, and Thomas Joseph Gray, or any three of them, the sum  
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of 100*l.* to enable them to have worked up the materials remaining of the temporary barracks at Montego-Bay into jealousies, for the balconies of the permanent barracks at that place, for the better preservation of the said permanent barracks.

35. That it be recommended to the house to direct the commissioners of public accounts to audit the receiver-general's account for certain lustres, and other fixtures, for the king's house, and to direct the same to be paid, according to the report of the board of works of the 11th December instant.

36. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying a sum, not exceeding 13,000*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the board of works appointed by an act passed this present session, for the purposes mentioned in the report of the commissioners of the board of works of the 11th December instant.

37. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying a sum, not exceeding 800*l.* to the order of the committee appointed to inspect the Botanic Gardens, or to any three of them; agreeably to the report of the committee appointed in the last session, to act during the recess in the reception of the plants from the South Seas.

38. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to the order of doctor Thomas Dancer the sum of 140*l.* in full for his expences and extra trouble in procuring two collections of plants for his majesty's garden at Kew, by order of the committee of plants.

39. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to Benjamin Lyon, esquire, serjeant at arms, the sum of 50*l.* in lieu of his fees on private bills passed in the last session of assembly.

Then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, on Tuesday morning next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That Mr. Grant have leave of absence for the next week.

Ordered, That Mr. Swaby have leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Partis, 16<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Prayers.** **T**HE engrossed bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to establish a guard in the town of Kingston, for the safety and protection thereof;" and for the better regulating the police within the said town, and for other purposes, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That the report of the commissioners of Montego-Bay fort, with sundry accounts and letters relating thereto, sent down in his honour the lieutenant-governor's message of 25th November last, and ordered to lie on the table, be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Then the house resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported three resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the rum bill for paying the sum of 1000*l.* to the order of the commissioners for forts and fortifications, for the discharge of accounts for work done at Fort-Montego, agreeably to a law passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of his present majesty, empowering the said commissioners to expend on the said fort the said sum.

2. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the rum bill for paying the sum of 595*l.* 14*s.* to the order of the commissioners for forts and fortifications, for the purchase of cannon, ammunition, and materials, belonging to the committee for putting the fort of Montego-Bay into a state of defence.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying the sum of 21*l.* to William Belford, aid-du camp to his honour the lieutenant-governor, being so much due him for subsistence; and also lodging-money from the 4th August last, at the rate of 50*l.* *per annum*; as by his honour's message of 25th November last.

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Then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again :

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

The resolution moved in the house on Thursday last, that the committee to whom any of the money-bills stands committed do receive a clause for paying to the directors of the Milk-River Bath the sum of 500*l.* to be laid out by them in the purchase of land, and erecting buildings for the accommodation of persons resorting to the said Bath on account of their health, the sum of 200*l.* granted in the last session of assembly, being altogether inadequate to such purposes, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

The resolution moved in the house on Thursday last, that the receiver-general be directed to order out, for the use of the assembly room, two handsome chandeliers, to hold eighteen candles each, with reflectors to throw the light downwards; also two handsome reflecting lamps, one to be placed at the first landing-place of the staircase, the other at the side of the door into the assembly-room; and also one hundred weight of wax candles; and that he do also order out a handsome silver inkstand, for the speaker's table; the expence of which several articles this or any future assembly will make good, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

The resolution moved in the house on Thursday last, that the receiver-general be directed to order out, for the use of the assembly-room, a clock more suitable for the purpose for which it was intended than the present one, and this or any future assembly will make good the expence thereof, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

The resolution moved in the house on Friday last, that the committee to whom the poll-tax-bill stands committed do receive a clause for paying a sum, not exceeding 700*l.* to the order of the directors of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, or any five of them, for the purpose of erecting bathing-houses and baths at the fountain, those lately built there having been destroyed by the earth falling upon them from the hill, on the side of which they were erected, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Ellis took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had

made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to enable certain commissioners, of the parish of Trelawny, to collect a tax upon all vessels entering and clearing out of the harbour of Falmouth, in the said parish, and for laying a tax on the inhabitants of the said parish, for the improvement of the said harbour; and for other purposes:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Vaughan took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Vaughan, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to enable certain commissioners, of the parish of Trelawny, to collect a tax upon all vessels entering and clearing out of the harbour of Falmouth, in the said parish, and for laying a tax on the inhabitants of the said parish, for the improvement of the said harbour; and for other purposes."

Ordered, That Mr. Fitch have leave to petition the council on the passage of the Kingston police bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart have leave to petition the council on the passage of the Trelawny church and Falmouth-Harbour bills.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will give orders to the persons appointed by your honour to board all vessels coming from the port of Philadelphia, in consequence of the sickness which some time since prevailed there, to desist visiting such vessels, such measure being no longer necessary; and to acquaint your honour, that the house will not be at any further expence on that account:"

Ordered, That Mr. Osborn and Mr. Fitch be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give orders immediately.

A motion being made, that the committee to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed do  
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receive a clause for passing to the order of the commissioners of public accounts a sum not exceeding 100*l.* to indemnify John Robinson, surgeon of the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, for any expences he may have incurred in such service, upon the said commissioners being satisfied as to the justice of the claim;

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same,  
W. BLAKE, *Speaker*.

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Mercurii, 17<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

ORDERED, That Mr. Batty, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Vaughan, be a committee to carry the engrossed bills of Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Tuesday last, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The engrossed bill to enable the justices and vestry of the parish of Trelawny to lay a tax for erecting a church and a parsonage-house in the said parish, and for purchasing lands for those purposes, as well as for a burial-ground, and erecting a new court-house and public building in the said parish, and for other purposes, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill to enable certain commissioners, of the parish of Trelawny, to collect a tax upon all vessels entering and clearing out of the harbour of Falmouth, in the said parish, and for laying a tax on the inhabitants of the said parish, for the improvement of the said harbour, and for other purposes, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Redwood, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Foulks, Mr. Woolfrys, and Mr. Christie, be a committee to carry the above engrossed bills to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Mr.



Mr. Shirley, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house immediately, and that the committee have power to receive clauses:

The house accordingly resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Shirley took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Shirley, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress, and that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to regulate the admission of negro and other slaves into this island, from any lately-acquired colony, or parts of any foreign colony;

Ordered, That Mr. Osborn, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Batty, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. Stewart, be a committee for that purpose.

Mr. Shirley, from the committee appointed to collect and revise the minutes of the house from the earliest records of its proceedings, and to cause the same to be printed under their inspection, after the manner of the Journals of the House of Commons, reported,

That, in pursuance of the powers vested in them, they directed Alexander Aikman, printer to the house, to print two hundred copies for the use of the members; in which he has made considerable progress, but has not yet completed a volume, for the reasons stated in his letter to the committee, hereunto annexed:

That the annexed account contains a state of the disbursements already made on account of this work, including the charge for transcribing abstracts from the minutes of the house down to the year 1749; which, the committee observe, will be the only expence of this nature likely to be incurred for some years: But as Mr. Aikman proposes to procure from England a sufficient number of hands to enable him to prosecute the work with vigour,  
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" SIR,

" I have the honour to lay before you, for the inspection of the committee, such part of the journals as is already printed, 324 pages, including a period of ten years. When I began this work I was in hopes to have presented the committee with a volume by the close of the present year; and that I have failed I beg leave to assure you has been owing to no fault of mine, but to the loss of three of my compositors, and two of those by death. It is the misfortune of my profession that assistants are seldom to be met with in this island, but we are obliged to have recourse to the mother country for people of that description; a measure from which I have been deterred, during the present year, by the fatal disease that has prevailed for the greatest part of it, and been so generally destructive to new-comers. As I have it in contemplation to make a voyage to England in the beginning of the year, I shall have it in my power to supply myself with a sufficient number of able compositors to prosecute the work with vigour, and hope by that means amply to compensate for the unavoidable delay it has already sustained. In order likewise to give the impression all the beauty and elegance of which it is susceptible, it is my intention to procure a white pressman for its superintendence, that part of the business being executed here by negroes, and from that circumstance alone inferior to European work, our materials being in every respect equally good.

"Your most obedient servant,

"A. AIKMAN.

*"The honourable Henry Shirley, esquire, chairman of the committee for printing the journals."*

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*N. B.* The abstracts of the minutes furnished for the above sum of 406*l.* 5*s.* will be as much as can possibly be printed by the end of the year 1797, between three and four large volumes.

Ordered, That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the House, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

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Jeûne, 18<sup>e</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Prayers.** ORDERED, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request you will be pleased to direct an answer to be given to the message of the house of the 25th November last, requesting that your honour would be pleased to order a list of all the commissions granted to the officers of the militia of this island, and of warrants granted to gunners and quarter-gunnery of forts, since the 1st January, 1791, to be laid before the house:”

Ordered, That Mr. Cockburn and Mr. Redwood be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions to have the list sent down immediately.

Mr. Galbraith, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for continuing so much of the present law, commonly called the poll-tax law, as relates to the tax on trades, supercargoes, and matters of vessels, for three months longer; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day:

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The bill for continuing so much of the present law, commonly called the poll-tax law, as relates to the tax on trades, supercargoes, and matters of vessels, for three months longer, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house immediately, and that the committee have power to receive clauses:

The house accordingly resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Galbraith took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Galbraith, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made one amendment thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, was agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendment, be engrossed, and that the title be, “An act for continuing so much of the present law, commonly called the poll-tax law, as relates to the tax on trades, supercargoes, and matters of vessels, for three months longer.”

Then



Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The engrossed bill for continuing so much of the present law, commonly called the poll-tax law, as relates to the tax on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, for three months longer, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Bryan, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

A message from the council, by their clerk, as follows:

“MR. SPEAKER,

“I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they have agreed to the bill entitled, “An act for amending an act entitled, ‘An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war: and for other purposes,” with the following amendment:”

In the 11th line from the top of the third sheet, after the word “commissions,” insert the words, “or staff officers:”

Resolved, That the house do agree to the amendment proposed by the council to the said bill.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Shirley took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Shirley, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made one amendment thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, was agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendment, be engrossed, and that the title be, “An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases.”

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The engrossed bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases, was read the third time:

Resolved.

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to the council:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honours, and to acquaint you, that they have agreed to the amendment proposed by your honours to the bill entitled, “ An act for amending an act entitled, ‘ An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes,” and have amended the bill accordingly.”

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley and Mr. Woolfrys be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill and message to the council, and desire their concurrence to the bill; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Mr. Osborn, according to order, presented to the house a bill to regulate the admission of negro and other slaves into this island, from any lately-acquired colony, or parts of any foreign colony; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The bill to regulate the admission of negro and other slaves into this island, from any lately-acquired colony, or parts of any foreign colony, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house immediately, and that the committee have power to receive clauses:

Then the house resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Osborn took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Osborn, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress; and that the committee had directed him to recommend to the house to re-commit the bill to the same committee that brought it in, to be re-considered:

Ordered, That the said bill be re-committed to the same committee that brought it in, to be re-considered.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to amend an act entitled, “ An act to regulate the highways; and to repeal an act entitled, ‘ An act to repeal the several acts therein mentioned; and for consolidating into one act all the laws relating to the highways;’ and also to repeal all other acts relating to the highways:”

Mr.

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Vaughan took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Vaughan, from the committee, reported, that they had made some progress; and that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, this day six months, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to authorize and enable individuals to convert Meagre-Bay, being a part of Montego-Bay, into a close harbour, by building a mole on the reef that crosses the said Meagre-Bay; and for other purposes:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Vaughan took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Vaughan, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to constitute certain persons, therein described, a corporation or body politic, for making and keeping up a close harbour at Meagre-Bay, being a part of Montego-Bay, in the parish of St. James; and for other purposes."

The bill for regulating the police of Montego-Bay, and for other purposes, was read a second time:

And a motion being made, that the house will, this day six weeks, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the two following messages be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

*First message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to represent, that the people of this island are exceedingly alarmed at the 271 disaffected persons from St. Domingo, confined on board the prison-ship; and to request that your honour will be pleased to give orders, that the said ship may be moored under the guns of Fort-Augusta, and that the sick may not be sent on shore, but confined on board an hospital-ship."



*Second message.*

" MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

" We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, to represent the great apprehensions entertained by the house in consequence of the disaffected persons and brigands being sent down from St. Domingo to this island; and to request that your honour will be pleased to give orders, that they shall not in future be sent to this island; and that you will also be pleased to direct, that the persons of that description, to the alarming amount of 270, now confined in the prison-ship, be sent from hence as soon as possible."

Ordered, That Mr. Osborn and Mr. Cockburn be a committee to wait on his honour with the above messages; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would do every thing in his power to comply with the wishes of the house.

Resolved, That this house will not receive any new business of any kind, during the present session, after Saturday next, the 20th instant.

Ordered, That Samuel Vaughan, esquire, one of the representatives for the parish of St. James, have leave to petition the council on the passage of the Meagre-Bay close-harbour bill; and that he also have leave to be examined by the council, if their honours shall think proper.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Genes, 19<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1794.

**Prayers.** THE engrossed bill to constitute certain persons, therein described, a corporation or body politic, for making and keeping up a close harbour at Meagre-Bay, being a part of Montego-Bay, in the parish of St. James; and for other purposes, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Vaughan and Mr. Thompson be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The house resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the re-committed bill to regulate the admission of negro and other slaves into this island, from any lately-acquired colony, or parts of any foreign colony:

Mr.

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Osborn took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Osborn, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “An act to provide further regulations for such slaves as have been admitted into this island; and to regulate the admission of slaves of a certain description.”

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The engrossed bill to provide further regulations for such slaves as have been admitted into this island; and to regulate the admission of slaves of a certain description, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Osborn and Mr. Fitch be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Mr. Shirley, from the commissioners for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That, early after the late recess, they were attended by major Green, commanding the first, or royal, regiment, then quartered at Up-Park, and preparing to embark for St. Domingo, in order to represent the hardship the officers of that regiment lay under by a resolution passed the 12th of December, in the last session of assembly, directing, “That 490*l.* 18*s.* 6½*d.* the sum reported to be due to the said officers for lodging-money, should be deducted, &c. the said regiment being quartered at Up-Park, in barracks belonging to government:” And the major having laid before the board a petition to this house, praying for relief, it was resolved, that the said petition should be presented, by the chairman, at the ensuing session, with a recommendation that the prayer thereof should be granted: The commissioners accordingly present the petition of major Green, hereto annexed, and beg leave to recommend the same to the house.

“*To the honourable WILLIAM BLAKE, esquire, and other the members of the honourable the house of assembly of Jamaica,*

“*The petition of JUSTLY WATSON GREEN, major commanding his majesty's first, or royal, regiment of foot, lately quartered at Up-Park, on behalf of himself and the other officers of the said regiment,*

“*Humbly sheweth,*

“That, on the 15th day of November last, his honour the lieutenant-governor having  
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sent a message to the honourable house of assembly, with an account furnished him for lodging-money of the officers of the said regiment, from 1st December, 1792, to 30 November, 1793, amounting to 490*l.* 18*s.* 6½*d.* it was referred to the committee of accounts; who reported, on the 29th day of the same month, that they had examined the account, and were of opinion that it should be paid; but on the 12th day of December following, the house thought proper to order that sum to be deducted from the monies then voted, because the regiment had been quartered in barracks belonging to government:

“ That your petitioners, being apprized that their account of lodging-money had passed the committee of accounts, and had been reported to the house, conceived that the amount would have been provided for as usual; and have not, until now, had an opportunity of representing to the house; that the officers of the 3d and 14th regiments, when quartered at Up-Park, received their lodging-money as usual; that your petitioners had in the same manner received it for two years past; that, on the faith of its continuance, they had incurred expences, which they would otherwise have submitted to many inconveniences to avoid; and that the state of the barracks at Up-Park is such, that in case of sickness the officers are under the necessity of taking lodgings in Kingston, the expence of which the house is well aware of.

“ Your petitioners therefore humbly pray, that this honourable house will be pleased to grant them lodging-money from the 1st of December, 1792.

“ And your petitioners will pray.

*“ For self, and rest of the officers of his majesty's first, or royal, regiment of foot,*

*“ J. W. GREEN,*

*“ Major 1st battalion royal.”*

Ordered, That the above report and petition be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ The secretary is commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to inform the house, that indisposition, and some melancholy events which have taken place in his family, and which prevented his attending the duty of his office as secretary, occasioned the message from the house, of the 25th ultimo, to be unintentionally neglected: But his honour wishing to comply with the message of the house, and finding it impossible to make extracts, has directed the book containing the entry of all commissions of a military nature to be laid before the house; which he hopes will be satisfactory. His honour thinks it necessary, on this occasion, to inform the house, that all appointments in the regiments of militia have been made by recommendations from the colonels or commanding officers of regiments, and that appointments on the staff have been made either by the recommendation of officers at the head of departments, the officers commanding in each parish, or that of members of the council or assembly.

“ I am likewise commanded by his honour to lay before the house a letter he has received from colonel Sanford.”

“ SIR,

*“ Dec. 13th, 1794.*

“ I have received the honour of your letter, inclosing the sentiments of the house of assembly on the appearance of the 20th (or Jamaica) regiment of light dragoons: And, for myself, major Inledon, captain Anson, and the rest of the officers of the regiment, I beg leave to request, you will be pleased to assure the house of assembly, of the very high estimation



motion we hold their approbation of our conduct; and which cannot fail, to ensure our future exertions, to maintain it.

‘ I have the honour to be, SIR,

‘ Your most obedient humble servant,

‘ G. SANFORD, *lt. col. command.*

“ *Major-general Williamson, lieutenant-governor  
and commander in chief, &c. &c. &c.*”

Ordered, That the above message, and letter therewith sent, do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to revise the book sent to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, in answer to the message of the house, in lieu of the list of the commissions in the militia required by the said message, and to extract from thence a list of the commissions in the militia granted since the 1st January, 1791, to persons not annexed to any regiment, with the rank thereby respectively conferred, and to report the same, with their opinion thereon, to the house;

Ordered, That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Redwood, and Mr. Galbraith, be a committee for that purpose.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That a clause be inserted in the poll-tax bill directing the receiver-general to pay, in London, to the order of his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, the sum of one thousand guineas, for the purchase of a piece of plate, as a token of the gratitude of the inhabitants of this island for his honour's mild, honourable, and patriotic administration:

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to lay before you the copy of a resolution of the house, this day passed unanimously:”

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Stewart, be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would take an opportunity of sending a speedy answer to the message.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the committee of correspondence to instruct Robert Sewell, esquire, our agent, to represent to his majesty's ministers the very great danger that this country, from its peculiar situation and circumstances, will be subjected to by a continuance of sending from St. Domingo the brigands and disaffected persons as prisoners; and to request that his majesty will be pleased to give directions, that such prisoners may not be sent here in future.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That this house, by their resolution of the 22d November, 1793, directing a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills for paying to lieutenant Nathaniel Portlocke, or his representative, five hundred guineas, for his important services in guiding the ship Providence through a very difficult and intricate navigation, meant to convey no other sense of his conduct than that he had acquitted himself of his duty in a manner much to his credit, while under the immediate directions and orders of his commanding officer captain Bligh, from whose merit they did not intend to detract:

Ordered, That the committee of correspondence do transmit a copy of the above resolution to the agent, to be by him transmitted to captain Bligh.

Resolved, That George Goodin Barrett, Samuel Vaughan, John Mowatt, Isaac Laſcelles Winn, and Thomas Joseph Gray, esquires, or any three of them, be a committee to take care of, inspect, and examine, the fort and the barracks at Montego-Bay; and that they report a state of the same to the house.

Resolved, That George Scott, William Dawes Quarrell, the honourable Thomas James, William Brown, and William Sinclair, esquires, or any three of them, be a committee to inspect and take care of the fort and barracks at Lucca; and that they report a state of the same to the house.

Ordered. That the receiver-general do pay the fees on the passage of the bill, passed the house this present session of aſſembly, entitled, "An act for making free and rewarding a ſambo man ſlave named George, belonging to Lancaſter eſtate, in the pariſh of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foſter, eſquire, deceased; and for paying to John Foſter, eſquire, ſurviving executor of the ſaid Samuel Warren Foſter, the value of the ſaid ſambo man ſlave," the ſaid bill being conſidered a private bill; and that this or any future aſſembly will make good the ſame.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the receiver-general be directed to pay to the order of John Michael Dwyer, eſquire, the ſum of 50*l.* for his trouble in tranſlating and tranſcribing certain foreign diſpatches upon ſubjects of a public nature, by order of his honour the lieutenant-governor; as mentioned in his honour's meſſage of the 28th day of November laſt; and this or any future aſſembly will make good the ſame.

Ordered, That the committee of the whole houſe, to whom the poll-tax bill ſtands committed, do receive a claufe for paying to the clerk of the committee for ſuperintending the Botanic Gardens the ſum of 200*l.* for his ſalary and expences for the laſt year.

A member, in his place, repreſented to the houſe, that, on the entry in the minutes of the reſolution of the 5th of December inſtant, on the report of the committee to whom the petition of the inhabitants and others of the vicinity of Rio-Bueno river, in the pariſh of Trelawny, was referred, it appeared that the houſe diſagreed to the ſaid report:

And the ſaid report being read,

And a motion made, that the houſe would now agree thereto;

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the houſe do agree to the report.

Ordered, That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Redwood, Mr. McLean, Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Wallen, Mr. Woolfrys, Mr. Chriſtie, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Rennalls, Mr. Cutbert, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Chief-juſtice, Mr. Halſted, Mr. Foulks, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Batty, Mr. Anderſon, Mr. Murray, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Scott, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Fullerton, Mr. White, Mr. Grant, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Deans, and Mr. Delprat, or any three of them, be a committee to inspect the Botanic Gardens, the property of the public, during the reſeſs of the aſſembly.

Ordered,



Ordered, That the secretary of this island do cause the following laws, so soon as they shall have passed all the branches of the legislature, to be printed by the printer to this house:

“ An act for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

“ An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestry men, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

“ An act for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licences to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; twelve copies to the receiver-general; and one copy to each collector of the rum duty.

“ An act for the more speedy collection of the public taxes, and the arrears thereof now due:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; twelve copies to the receiver-general; and one copy to each collecting constable.

“ An act to encourage the importation of horses from Great-Britain, by granting a purse to be run for in each county:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

“ An act to empower the justices and vestries of the several parishes of this island to settle and regulate the price and assize of bread; and for preventing persons making bread for sale from intermixing therewith any damaged or unwholesome materials or ingredients:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

“ An act for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling and punch-houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy



copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

“ An act for the further relief of insolvent debtors imprisoned for debt:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; twelve copies to the receiver-general; two copies to the chief justice, and to each of the judges of the supreme court and justices of assize; twelve copies to the provost-marshal-general, and six copies to each of his deputies.

“ An act for amending an act entitled, ‘ An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes:’” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; twelve copies to the receiver-general; also six copies to each colonel or commanding officer of a regiment or battalion; one copy to each field-officer; one copy to each captain commanding a troop or company; one copy to the judge-advocate-general, and to each of his deputies; one copy to each marshal of a regiment or battalion; and six copies to the provost-marshal-general.

“ An act to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of accounts; twelve copies to the receiver-general; two copies to each judge of the supreme court and justice of assize; six copies to the clerk of the supreme court; and six copies to the provost-marshal-general.

And that he do cause the following law to be published in the Royal Gazette, the Gazette of St. Jago de la Vega, and the Cornwall Chronicle, for one month:

“ An act for continuing so much of the present law, commonly called the poll-tax law, as relates to the tax on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, for three months longer.”

And that he do deliver copies of the following laws to the printer to this house, in order that the said printer may cause the same to be respectively translated into French; and that copies, both in English and French, be distributed in such number and manner as shall be directed by the commissioners for stating and settling the public accounts:

“ An act to prohibit the selling, purchasing, hiring, or employing, certain foreign slaves, except as therein mentioned.”

“ An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases.”

“ An act to provide further regulations for such slaves as have been admitted into this island; and to regulate the admission of slaves of a certain description.”

Ordered, That the secretary of this island do cause the Kingston police bill, so soon as it shall have passed all the branches of the legislature, to be forthwith printed by the printer to this house: One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor; one copy

copy to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate; one copy to each judge of the supreme court, and to each judge of the assize-courts; two copies to the receiver-general; six copies to the clerk of the peace, and six copies to the clerk of the vestry, for the parish of Kingston: The same, although a private bill, containing matter of general utility; but this order not to be taken as a precedent in future.

Ordered, That the bill entitled, “An act to provide further regulations for such slaves as have been admitted into this island; and to regulate the admission of slaves of a certain description,” so soon as it shall have passed all the branches of the legislature, be published in the Royal Gazette for one month.

Ordered, That the secretary of this island do deliver unto Alexander Aikman, printer to his majesty and to this house, copies of the several public acts passed or to be passed this present session, for the annual publication of the laws, as directed by the act of the thirty-second year of his present majesty; the expence whereof this house will make good.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor in council, by the provost-marshal, commanding, in the king's name, the attendance of the house in the council-chamber, immediately:

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker and the whole house went up; and being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that the house had attended his honour the lieutenant-governor in the council-chamber, where his honour was pleased to give his assent to the following bills:

“An act for raising several sums of money, and applying the same to several uses.”

“An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses; to protect freeholders on the days of choosing churchwardens and vestrymen, and to ascertain who shall be deemed duly qualified to vote at such elections.”

“An act for laying a duty on all wines, and upon brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, retailed within this island; and for laying a further tax on licenses to be granted for the retailing of brandy, gin, rum, and other distilled spirits, and on the public offices; and for applying the same to several uses.”

“An act for continuing so much of the present law, commonly called the poll-tax law, as relates to the tax on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, for three months longer.”

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to establish a guard in the town of Kingston, for the safety and protection thereof;’ and for the better regulating the police within the said town; and for other purposes.”

“An act for altering and amending an act entitled, ‘An act for adding commissioners to those already made a body corporate, for building a bridge over the Rio Cobre, in and by two several acts, one passed in the year 1775, and the other in the year 1776;’ and for other purposes.”

“An act for amending and keeping in repair the road leading from St. Jago de la Vega, in the parish of St. Catherine, to the junction of the Mayday-Hill road, at Dry-River, in

the parish of Clarendon; and for vesting in trustees the toll raised by a turnpike on the said road, for the purposes aforesaid."

"An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases."

"An act to provide further regulations for such slaves as have been admitted into this island; and to regulate the admission of slaves of a certain description."

"An act for amending an act entitled, 'An act to regulate the militia; to repeal certain acts and clauses of acts relating to the said militia; to ascertain who shall compose future councils of war; and for other purposes.'"

"An act to regulate proceedings in ejectment, in cases of disputed boundary."

"An act for the better regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service in this island; to prevent their deserting from the ships or vessels to which they belong; and also to prevent their being harboured or concealed by persons keeping tippling and punch houses, and retailing rum and other spirituous liquors."

"An act to amend and explain an act entitled, 'An act to enable the directors of the Milk-River Bath to purchase land.'"

"An act to enable certain commissioners, of the parish of Trelawny, to collect a tax upon all vessels entering and clearing out of the harbour of Falmouth, in the said parish, and for laying a tax on the inhabitants of the said parish, for the improvement of the said harbour; and for other purposes."

"An act to enable the justices and vestry of the parish of Trelawny to lay a tax for erecting a church and a parsonage-house in the said parish, and for purchasing lands for those purposes, as well as for a burial-ground, and erecting a new court-house and public building in the said parish; and for other purposes."

"An act for vesting in trustees a certain piece or parcel of land in the parish of St. Elizabeth, and to enable the said trustees to sell the same for the purposes therein mentioned."

"An act to authorize and empower the rector and churchwardens of the parish of Clarendon, for the time being, to manumize and set free a mulatto woman slave named Molly Matthews, and her four children, named John, Jenny, Edward, and Susanna."

"An act to entitle Ann Evans, of the parish of Kingston, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Sarah Evans, Francis Catanach, Ann Deans, and Dorothy Henly, free quadroons, and Ann Deans Clark and James Deans Clark, free mustees, the children of the said Dorothy Henly, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

"An act to entitle Sarah Spraggs, of the parish of Port-Royal, a free mulatto woman, and her several children, named Edmund Baillie Lamoin, Anthony Duart, and Sarah Duart, free quadroons, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions."

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“ An act to entitle John Moncrieffe, of the parish of St. Mary, a free quadroon man, planter, and Milbrough his wife, a free mulatto woman, and their several children, named Mary Moncrieffe, Benjamin Scott Moncrieffe, Elizabeth Moncrieffe, John Moncrieffe, Jean Moncrieffe, Milbrough Moncrieffe, and Ann Maria Moncrieffe, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions.”

“ An act to entitle Thomas Young, John Young, and Sarah Young, of the parish of Port-Royal, free quadroons, the reputed children of Richard Young, late of the same parish, mariner, deceased, to the same rights and privileges with English subjects born of white parents, under certain restrictions.”

“ An act for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave, named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased; and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave.”

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning, the 24th day of February next, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Partis, 24<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1795.

MR. Speaker informed the house of the death of George French, esquire, their late clerk:

And a motion being made, and the question put, that James Lewis, esquire, be appointed clerk in his room;

It was resolved in the affirmative:

Ordered, That Mr. Murray and Mr. Galbraith be a committee to wait on his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to desire that the clerk might be sworn; who returning, reported, that he was sworn accordingly.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor in council, by the clerk of the council, who brought down the writs of election for the parishes of St. Mary and Trelawny; which, with the provost-marshal's returns thereto, being read, it appeared, that William Ross, esquire, was returned a representative for the said parish of St. Mary, in the room of Thomas Murphy, esquire, expelled the house, and that John Hodges, esquire, was returned a representative for the said parish of Trelawny, in the room of Samuel Barrett, esquire, deceased:

And

And the said William Ross and John Hodges, esquires, attending, severally took the usual oaths, and their seats accordingly.

The resolution moved in the house on the 16th day of December last, that the committee to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed do receive a clause for paying to the order of the commissioners of public accounts a sum not exceeding 100*l.* to indemnify John Robinson, surgeon of the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, for any expences he may have incurred in such service, upon the said commissioners being satisfied as to the justice of the claim, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported ten resolutions; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows :

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to the order of Alexander Aikman, printer to the house, the sum of 700*l.* on account of printing the journals of the house; as by the report made to the house, on the 17th day of December last, by the chairman of the committee appointed to collect and revise the minutes of the house from the earliest records of its proceedings, and to cause the same to be printed under their inspection, after the manner of the Journals of the House of Commons.

2. That it be recommended to the house to disagree to the report of the commissioners of public accounts, made to the house on the 19th day of December last.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to the order of doctor John Rose, assistant island-surgeon, the usual island subsistence and lodging-money for the year 1793; as by the certificate of doctor William Lempriere, acting surgeon of the forces, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor on the 27th day of November last.

4. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 200*l.* to the order of doctor Thomas Dancer, for his care of the Botanic Garden, at the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle.

5. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, for the purpose of cloathing and supplying the negroes belonging to the said Bath with salted provisions, and provisions for the sick, and tools for the use of the Botanic Garden.

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6. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 200*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St Thomas the Apostle, for the hire of a gardener, and for negro labour to cultivate the Botanic Garden.

7. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to the order of William Lempiere, acting surgeon-general of his majesty's forces in this island, the usual subsistence and lodging-money, deducting his subsistence and lodging-money as surgeon of the 62d regiment, from the time of his being appointed surgeon-general.

8. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, directing the receiver-general to pay to the order of the commander in chief the sum of 616*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* sterling, to defray the expence of four additional lieutenants in the 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons.

9. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, directing the receiver-general to pay to the order of the commander in chief a sum not exceeding 416*l.* for the hire of thirty-two negro pioneers for the use of the regiment of light dragoons, or for paying the fees of slaves which may be taken from the workhouses to serve as pioneers; as directed by "An act to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to take slaves from the workhouses for certain purposes, and on certain conditions."

10. That it be recommended to the house to refuse payment of the account of Robert Reaburn, pilot, at Montego-Bay, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor on the 27th day of November last.

And then Mr. Rodon acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved, That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart and Mr. Hodges have leave to petition, and to be examined by, the council, touching the bill entitled, "An act to constitute certain persons, therein described, a corporation, or body politic, for making and keeping up a close harbour at Meagre-Bay, being a part of Montego-Bay, in the parish of St. James; and for other purposes.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*



Mercurii, 25<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1795.

A MESSAGE from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

“ MR. SPEAKER,

“ I am commanded by the lieutenant-governor to submit to the house the case of William Willox, at Fort-Charles, who is constantly on duty, boarding all vessels going out of or coming into Port-Royal, and who, for this fatiguing duty, receives no compensation from government or the island:

“ His honour therefore refers it to the consideration of the house, to make him such allowance as they may judge proper.”

Mr. Grant, from the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session, and to report their opinion thereon to the house, reported,

That they had enquired into the memorial of the officers commanding his majesty's regiments in Jamaica; and are of opinion, that no allowance of bat and forage should be granted, at the expence of this island, to his majesty's troops stationed therein, as such allowance appears to the committee to be unprecedented:

That they had also enquired into the memorial of William Dance; and are of opinion, that he is entitled to the amount of his account annexed thereto, for salary and necessary expences incurred in the discharge of his duty as superintendant of vessels arriving from the River Delaware, by virtue of an appointment from his honour the lieutenant-governor, agreeably to the request of the house in the session of 1793, deducting therefrom the sum of 25*l*.

That they had also enquired into the memorials of brigadier-general Horneck and brigade-major Blackwell; and, on reference to the minutes of the house for several years past, it does not appear to the committee, that any lodging-money has been heretofore allowed to officers serving in this island in either of those capacities, when attached to regiments; but the committee are of opinion, they are entitled to lodging-money, in their respective capacities as officers in the 62d regiment, from the 18th May to 6th September, 1794:

That they had also enquired into the memorial of Robert Gordon, assistant surgeon to the forces; and are of opinion, that he should not be allowed lodging-money as acting purveyor, but only 20*l. per annum*, as assistant surgeon to the forces:

That they had likewise enquired into the memorial of doctor Alexander Watt, and examined his several accounts; and are of opinion, that his three accounts for medicines, wine, and other articles, for the hospital of the 16th regiment, amounting to 105*l*. 18*s*. 9*d*. should be paid, as they appear to have been administered during the very uncommon sickness of that regiment; and that the committee are further of opinion, that the sum of 14*l*. 6*s*. should be allowed to the said doctor Watt for lodging-money, during his attendance on the 13th regiment, the same not having yet been paid.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the above message and report be referred to the committee of the whole house to enquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house resolved itself into such committee :

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Rodon took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Rodon, from the committee, reported fourteen resolutions ; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table ; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows :

1. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, authorizing the receiver-general to pay to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased, or to his representative, a sum not exceeding 140*l.* as and for the purchase-money of a sambo man slave named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth ; as by an act passed this session, entitled, “ An act for making free and rewarding a sambo man slave named George, belonging to Lancaster estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, the property of the heirs of Samuel Warren Foster, esquire, deceased ; and for paying to John Foster, esquire, the surviving executor of the said Samuel Warren Foster, the value of the said sambo man slave.”

2. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to the order of the representatives of John Weir, esquire, surgeon to the forces, the sum of 39*l.* 4*s.* 7*d.* being so much due to him for lodging-money and subsistence from the 31st December, 1793, to the 20th May, 1794.

3. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to the order of the commander in chief the sum of 18,979*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.* in full for the establishment of his majesty's 20th, or Jamaica, regiment of light dragoons, for one year, due the 25th day of June next.

4. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, for the hire of an overseer to superintend the negroes belonging to the Bath.

5. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the receiver-general, being so much paid by him in consequence of an order of the house for the usual salary of the overseer of the Bath negroes, which was omitted to be inserted in any of the money-bills passed in the year 1793.

6. That it be recommended to the house to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, informing him, the house are of opinion, that no allowance of bat and forage money should be granted, at the expence of this island, to his majesty's troops stationed therein ; such allowance being unprecedented.

7. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 420*l.* to the order of William Dance, esquire, in full of the account

count annexed to his memorial sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor this session; agreeably to the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session.

8. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to brigadier-general Horneck, or his representative, lodging-money, as commanding officer of the 62d regiment, from the 18th May to the 6th September, 1794; as by the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session.

9. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to brigade-major Blackwell, or his representative, lodging-money, as a lieutenant in the 62d regiment, from the 18th May to the 6th September, 1794; as by the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session.

10. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 20*l.* to the order of doctor Robert Gordon, for lodging-money as assistant surgeon to the forces for the year 1794; as by the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session.

11. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 105*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.* to the order of doctor Alexander Watt, being the amount of three accounts for wine, medicines, and necessaries, furnished and administered to the 16th regiment, during the very uncommon sickness which prevailed in the army previous to the regulations made by the house for the better maintenance and provision of the sick of the regiments stationed here; as by the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session.

12. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 14*l.* 6*s.* to the order of doctor Alexander Watt, for his lodging-money during his attendance on the detachment of the 13th regiment at Montego-Bay; as by the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the several memorials and petitions sent down by his honour the lieutenant-governor to the house this session.

13. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying the sum of 10*s.* *per* day to William Frazer, acting island-engineer, in lieu of all travelling and contingent charges which he has incurred since the 14th day of December, 1793, to the 31st day of December, 1794.

14. That it be recommended to the house to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill for paying to the order of James Lewis, esquire, clerk to the house, the sum of 100*l.* as a compensation for his trouble this session.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to inform you, they are  
of



of opinion, that no allowance of bat and forage money should be granted, at the expence of this island, to his majesty's troops stationed therein, the same being unprecedented."

Ordered, That Mr. Fitch and Mr. Grant be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

The bill for the better regulating the police of the town of Falmouth, to provide against accidents by fire, and for other purposes, was read a second time:

Resolved, That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house this day.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The house, according to order, resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Stewart took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for the better regulating the police of the town of Falmouth, in the parish of Trelawny; to provide against accidents by fire; to supply the said town, by aqueducts, with water; and for other purposes."

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for regulating the police of Montego-Bay, and for other purposes:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Vaughan took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Vaughan, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for regulating the police of Montego-Bay; and for other purposes."

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to repeal two several acts of this island, one entitled, "An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of

members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly ;" the other entitled, " An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, ' An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly ;' and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly ;

The same was agreed to, *nom. con.*

Ordered, That Mr. Murray, Mr. Rodon, and Mr. Ellis, be a committee for that purpose.

Ordered, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor :

" MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

" We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request, that you will be pleased to postpone the sailing of the packet until Monday the 9th day of March next."

Ordered, That Mr. Murray and Mr. Fitch be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message ; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would comply with the request of the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Jovis, 26<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1795.

**Prayers.** THE engrossed bill for the better regulating the police of the town of Falmouth, in the parish of Trelawny ; to provide against accidents by fire ; to supply the said town, by aqueducts, with water ; and for other purposes, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for regulating the police of Montego-Bay, and for other purposes, was read the third time :

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Mr. Murray, according to order, presented to the house a bill to repeal two several acts of

of this island, one entitled, "An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;" the other entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, 'An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;' and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day.

Mr. Cockburn, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for continuing an act, passed in the year of our Lord 1792, entitled, "An act for the ease and relief of jurors and tititors of the supreme and certain other courts within this island, for four months longer:

The same was agreed to, *nem. con.*

Then Mr. Cockburn presented to the house such bill; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The bill to repeal two several acts of this island, one entitled, "An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;" the other entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, 'An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;' and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act to repeal two several acts of this island, one entitled, 'An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;' the other entitled, 'An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, "An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;" and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island,



island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly."

The bill for continuing an act, passed in the year of our Lord 1792, entitled, "An act for the ease and relief of jurors and suitors, of the supreme and certain other courts within this island," for four months longer, was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for continuing an act, passed in the year 1792, entitled, 'An act for the ease and relief of jurors and suitors of the supreme and certain other courts within this island,' for four-months longer."

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;

And being met,

The engrossed bill to repeal two several acts of this island, one entitled, "An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;" the other entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, 'An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly,'" and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill for continuing an act, passed in the year 1792, entitled, "An act for the ease and relief of jurors and suitors of the supreme and certain other courts within this island," for four-months longer, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Mr. Batty, from the commissioners appointed by law for stating and settling the public accounts, reported, that they had, agreeably to the accustomed mode, made up the public accounts to the 30th of September last; and find,

That the monies received under the annual bills, during the four quarters ending that day, amount to

<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	
102,862	10	2	under the poll-tax law, 1794
6,569	13	3	deficiency ditto
5,117	15	10	rum ditto
34,272	18	4	negro duties
6,062	12	11	additional duties
3,180	11	1	tax upon tonnage
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158,066	1	7	total receipt of taxes of the current year.

Received

l. s. d.  
158,066 1 7 brought over

Received on account of arrears:

l. s. d.  
3,654 10 8 under the poll-tax, 1793.  
23,342 4 6 deficiency ditto  
12,664 3 11 arrears of former years taxes

139,660 19 1  
5,438 10 7 furplus of the revenue, 30th September  
5,262 17 2 balance of gunpowder, ditto

208,428 8 5 total monies received during the four quarters ending 30th September.

The debts due by the public of Jamaica, on that day, are stated in an account hereto annexed, marked No. 1, and amount to - - 67,109 2 11  
And the contingent expences of government, including the grants of the present session, amount, as *per* account No. 2, to the sum of - - 152,875 0 2

To be provided for 219,984 3 1

For which purpose, the commissioners submit to the house the following estimate of

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l. s. d.  
77,013 10 9 balance of cash on the annual fund account, 30th September  
10,701 7 9 balance of gunpowder account, and furplus of the revenue.

87,714 18 6

The taxes for 1795 are calculated to produce, within the four quarters, as follows:

l.  
5,000 estimation of rum duties  
4,000 additional duties  
15,000 negro duties  
6,000 double deficiency  
10,000 furplus of the revenue and powder money  
78,000 poll-tax, at the rate of six shillings

18,000 0 0

39,000 0 0 estimate of collection, during the four quarters, from the sums due for arrears of the last and former years.

235,714 18 6

The commissioners are of opinion, that the means proposed by the foregoing estimate will amply provide for the services of the year and for the security of public credit; for, upon a comparison of the report of last year, the house will remark the degree of accuracy with which the statements are formed, and that the only variation to be observed in the calculations arises from the impossibility of estimating with precision the importation of negroes; the duties to be collected in the course of the present year from that source will probably fall very short of the last year's receipt: Upon the whole, it will be satisfactory to find, that the debts of the country continue to diminish, and the balance of the cash to increase.

## VOTES OF THE ASSEMBLY.

## No. 1.

ACCOUNT of monies due on the 30th September, 1794, from the public of Jamaica.

	l.	s.	d.
To the light dragoons, British pay	13660	3	8
To 16th and 20th regiments of foot	392	14	6
Fund arising from tonnage	6094	10	2
Roads and bridges	6785	15	3
Board of works	10044	10	4
Certificates granted to P. Lynch	1500	0	0
Receiver-general for commissions	4696	0	7
Contractor for September pay-bills	2511	10	7
Commissioners for lord Rodney's statue	4905	1	7
Ditto Clarendon barracks	1000	0	0
Ditto Great-River ditto	7000	0	0
Secretary of the island	741	0	0
Governor's salary	350	0	0
Officers subsistence	1000	0	0
Additional pay to four lieutenants of dragoons	836	12	6
Commissioners of Port-Antonio barracks	747	0	0
Ditto Lucea barracks	544	3	9
Sundry grants in the three money-bills for 1794	4000	0	0
Treasurer of Kingston-hospital	500	0	0
	67,109	2	11

## No. 2.

ACCOUNT of the contingent expenses of the government of Jamaica, for the year 1795, granted under the deficiency, rum, poll-tax, and other laws:

## UNDER THE DEFICIENCY LAW:

	l.	s.	d.
Governor's additional salary	2500	0	0
Clerk of the crown and clerk of the court	300	0	0
Annuities to free negroes	110	0	0
Superintendants of the negro towns	1100	0	0
White men residing in the said towns	200	0	0
Treasurer of the free-school at St. Jago de la Vega	100	0	0
Gunner and store-keeper at Fort-Augusta	100	0	0
Treasurer of Wolmer's free-school	291	16	9
The reverend R. S. Woodham	100	0	0
The treasurer of the hospital in Kingston	1500	0	0
George French	70	0	0
Agent of the island for Mrs. Williamson's monument	420	0	0
Doctor Francis Rigby Brodbelt	100	0	0
Henry Andrew Francken	100	0	0
Thomas Craikell	50	0	0
William Walker	57	10	0
William Smart	12	12	6
Leigh and Younger	25	0	0
Thomas Alves	54	13	9
William Bryan	205	10	0

George



# VOTES OF THE ASSEMBLY.

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	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
George Atkinson	964	4	4
Doctor James Walker	314	12	6
George French, solicitor	143	1	4
Duncan Frazer	57	10	0
Robert Shawe	21	13	1
Adam Dolmage	300	0	0
John Henderson	62	2	6
Peter Chitholm	47	1	3
Samuel Vaughan	18	17	6
Doctor Bell	92	12	6
John Henderson	84	4	9
Captain Quarrell	65	12	6
Mark Howard	152	0	0
Lodging-money to royal artillery	227	18	5
Lodging and contingent account of light dragoons	551	19	5
Ditto ditto 10th regiment	329	3	8
Contingent account of 13th regiment	78	4	11
Ditto and lodging-money of 16th ditto	137	7	4
Major Incedon, pay, subsistence, and lodging	285	0	0
Captain Ross	221	13	4—11,552 2 4

## RUM LAW:

Chaplain to the assembly	140	0	0
George French	700	0	0
Benjamin Lyon	500	0	0
Alexander Aikman	400	0	0
Thomas Wills	140	0	0
Deputy receiver-generals, naval-officers, and deputy secretaries	840	0	0
Clerk to the committee of correspondence	200	0	0
Clerk to the committee of forts and fortifications	150	0	0
Engineer and surveyor of harbours	182	10	0
Captain of Fort-Augusta	182	10	0
Lieutenant of ditto	91	5	0
Captain of Fort-George	121	13	4
Captain of Rock-Fort	121	13	4
Subsistence and lodging-money to Thomas Wallen	102	10	0
Thomas Dancer, physician to Bath	300	0	0
Maroon parties	500	0	0
Commissioners of forts, &c.	600	0	0
Island agent	420	0	0
Edward Woollery	700	0	0
Horse-races	375	0	0
Committee of correspondence	7000	0	0
Stephen Fuller, esquire	812	10	0
Robert Sewell, esquire, island agent	280	0	0
Subsistence and lodging-money to 62d regiment	673	11	7
David Dickson	120	8	4
Alexander Aikman	1631	7	11
James Fannin	94	15	0
Strupar and Co.	28	6	3

Donald

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Donald Campbell	134	3	4
Henry Burgeis	50	0	0
David Finlayson	68	19	9
Richard Welch	30	8	9
Hugh Frazer	107	18	9
John Newland	2043	11	3
Thomas Jenkins	40	17	6
Commissioners of public accounts; to pay for lustres, &c.	745	18	6
Ditto of board of works	13000	0	0
Ditto of public accounts for Montego-Bay barracks	1020	0	0
Doctor John Weir	929	3	3
Purveyor of forces	205	0	0
Botanic gardens	800	0	0
Repairs of arms	502	7	10
Lodging-money to ordnance officers	60	0	0
David Lyon	20	0	0
Churchwardens of St. James	100	0	0
Doctor Thomas Dancer	140	0	0
Benjamin Lyon	50	0	0
Doctor Gordon	20	0	0
Charles Hansen	100	0	0
Edmund Pusey March	50	0	0
John Henderson	180	10	8
John Billeit	171	13	4
Trustees, road over May-Jay-Hill	300	0	0
Directors of Milk-River Bath	500	0	0
Ditto Bath in St. Thomas's	700	0	0
John Sanders	16	0	0
St. Catherine's workhouse	84	1	8
Roads and bridges	15000	0	0
Commissioners for Montego-Bay fort	1000	0	0
Caannon, ammunition, &c. for ditto	595	14	0
William Belford	21	0	0
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## POLL-TAX LAWS

Lord Rodney's statue	5000	0	0
Doctor Robinson	100	0	0
Lodging-money to royals	490	18	6
General Williamson, 1000 guineas and charges remitting	1653	15	0
John Michael Dwyer	50	0	0
Clerk to the Botanic Gardens	200	0	0
For the sick of the army	4000	0	0
To the secretary to the commissioners of accounts and contingencies	600	0	0
Pay to the light dragoons	18979	15	7
Ditto for four additional lieutenants	826	12	6
Lodging and subsistence to surgeon of the forces	102	0	0
Doctor Thomas Dancer for Botanic garden	300	0	0
Thomas Wills for care of robes and mace	40	0	0
The honourable the speaker for his salary	1000	0	0

Balance

			l.	s.	d.
Balance of purchase of Liguanea garden	-	-	2500	0	0
Alexander Aikman for printing journals	-	-	700	0	0
William Frazer, subsistence and lodging-money	-	-	102	0	0
James Wiles	-	-	319	3	7
Stephen Fuller, balance of account	-	-	2520	0	0
Doctor Rote, subsistence and lodging-money for 1793	-	-	72	0	0
Commissioners of the Bath	-	-	200	0	0
Doctor Thomas Dancer	-	-	200	0	0
Pioneers for the dragoons	-	-	416	0	0
John Foster	-	-	140	0	0
John Weir	-	-	39	4	7
William Dance, inspector of health	-	-	420	0	0
General Horneck and major Blackwell, subsistence and lodging-money	-	-	61	4	0
Doctor Gordon, for 1794	-	-	20	0	0
Alexander Watt	-	-	120	4	9
William Frazer	-	-	191	0	0
James Lewis	-	-	100	0	0
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GRANTED UNDER VARIOUS LAWS.

Subsistence of troops	-	-	31000	0	0
Clerk to the board of works salary, &c.	-	-	570	0	0
Condemnation of slaves, premiums on increase of ditto, &c.	-	-	1800	0	0
Fees to officers, under foreign slave and alien bill	-	-	2000	0	0
Collector and inspector of rum and collecting constables salaries	-	-	1700	0	0
Interest on £28000	0	0	£1423	10	0
Ditto	2500	0	300	0	0
Contingencies, chargeable to aggregate fund	-	-	1723	10	0
Receiver-general's commissions	-	-	2000	0	0
			4700	0	0
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					152,875 0 2

Ordered, That the above report do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Resolved, *nem. con.* That the receiver-general do pay, in the event of the absence of his honour major-general sir Adam Williamson, to the order of the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief, for the time being, the sum of 625*l.* quarterly; and that this or any future assembly will indemnify him from such payments.

Resolved, That a message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, requesting that he will not grant any order for gunpowder, except for the use of his majesty's troops or the militia, or the forts in this island, unless recommended by the commissioners appointed for stating and settling the public accounts.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. B L A K E, *Speaker.*

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Amcris,



Uneris, 27<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1795.

**O**RDERED, That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request that you will not grant any order for gunpowder, except for the use of his majesty's troops or the militia, or the forts in this island, unless recommended by the commissioners appointed for stating and settling the public accounts:”

Ordered, That Mr. Batty and Mr. Ross be a committee to wait on his honour the lieutenant-governor with the above message; and also to carry the engrossed bills of yesterday to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery of the bills; and that his honour, in answer to the message, was pleased to say, he would comply with the request of the house.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports; and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses:

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Murray took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Murray, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill, where being again read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered, That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, “ An act for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports; and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages, and applying the same to several uses.”

Ordered, That there be a call of the house at two of the clock to-morrow.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

Dabbati,

Sabbati, 28<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1795.

**Prayers.** **T**HE engrossed bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports; and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses, was read the third time:

Resolved, That the said bill do pass.

Mr. Barrett, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill for making free and rewarding a certain negro man slave named Harry, the son of Dover, vested in certain commissioners named and appointed in and by a certain act entitled, "An act to augment the salary of his excellency George Haldane, esquire; and for providing certain lands and premises to be annexed to the government, for the use of the governor for the time being;" and for paying the value of the said slave:

The same was agreed to, *nem. con.*

Then Mr. Barrett presented to the house such bill; which was received, and read the first time:

Ordered, That the said bill be read a second time this day.

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

And being met,

The bill for making free and rewarding a certain negro man slave named Harry, the son of Dover, vested in certain commissioners named and appointed in and by a certain act entitled, "An act to augment the salary of his excellency George Haldane, esquire; and for providing certain lands and premises to be annexed to the government, for the use of the governor for the time being;" and for paying the value of the said slave, was read a second time:

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for making free and rewarding a certain negro man slave named Harry, the son of Dover, vested in certain commissioners named and appointed in and by a certain act entitled, 'An act to augment the salary of his excellency George Haldane, esquire; and for providing certain lands and premises to be annexed to the government, for the use of the governor for the time being;' and for paying the value of the said slave."

Then the house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

And being met,

The engrossed bill for making free and rewarding a certain negro man slave named Harry, the son of Dover, vested in certain commissioners named and appointed in and by a certain act entitled, "An act to augment the salary of his excellency George Haldane, esquire, and for providing certain lands and premises to be annexed to the government, for the use of the governor for the time being;" and for paying the value of the said slave, was read the third time:

Resolved,

Resolved, That the said bill do pass:

Ordered, That Mr. Barrett, Mr. Ross, Mr. Delpratt, Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Hodges, be a committee to carry the engrossed bills of this day to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Ordered, That Mr. Vaughan have leave to petition the council on the passage of the bill for regulating the police of Montego-Bay, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the clerk to the house do deliver to George Goodin Barrett and Samuel Vaughan, esquires, the several accounts relative to the fort of Montego-Bay, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor on the 25th November last, and then ordered to lie on the table; for the purpose of the same being delivered to the persons to whom they are respectively due, the said accounts being indorsed, by orders on the receiver-general, by the commissioners for forts and fortifications.

Ordered, *nem. con.* That the receiver-general do pay the fees on the passage of the bill for making free and rewarding a certain negro man slave named Harry, the son of Dover, vested in certain commissioners named and appointed in and by a certain act entitled, "An act to augment the salary of His excellency George Haldane, esquire; and for providing certain lands and premises to be annexed to the government, for the use of the governor for the time being," and for paying the value of the said slave; the same being a private bill.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to inspect the gaols, hospitals, and workhouses, in the county of Middlesex, and to make a report thereof to the house early in the next session;

Ordered, That Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Rennalls, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Halded, Mr. Foulks, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Batty, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Fullerton, Mr. White, Mr. Grant, and Mr. Ross, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to inspect the gaols, hospitals, and workhouses, in the county of Surrey, and to make a report thereof to the house early in the next session;

Ordered, That Mr. Galbraith, Mr. McLean, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Wallen, Mr. Woolfrye, Mr. Christie, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Delpratt, Mr. Deans, Mr. Oflorn, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Shirley, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed to inspect the gaols, hospitals, and workhouses, in the county of Cornwall, and to make a report thereof to the house early in the next session;

Ordered, That Mr. Murray, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Scott, Mr. Quarrell, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Hodges, be a committee for that purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Rodon, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Batty, and Mr. Cuthbert, be a committee, during the recess, to inspect into and examine the several books and papers in the speaker's chamber; and that the said committee, or any two of them, together



together with the clerk, do examine the said books once every quarter; and that Mr. Wills be ordered to brush them once every month.

Ordered, That the secretary of this island do cause the following laws, so soon as they shall have passed all the branches of the legislature, to be forthwith printed by the printer to this house:

“ An act for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports, and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses:” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and to each clerk of the vestry and collecting constable; two copies to the commissioners of public accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

“ An act to repeal two several acts of this island, one entitled, ‘ An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;’ the other entitled, ‘ An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, “ An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;” and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly:’” One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; two copies to the commissioners of public accounts; and twelve copies to the receiver-general.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor in council, by the provost-marshal, commanding, in the king’s name, the attendance of the house in the council-chamber, immediately:

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker and the whole house went up; when his honour was pleased to give his assent to the following bills:

“ An act for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels in the out-ports, and on offices and houses; and for laying a tax on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses.”

“ An act to repeal two several acts of this island, one entitled, ‘ An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;’ the other entitled, ‘ An act to alter and amend an act, passed in the year 1789, entitled, “ An act to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island; in the room of such members who shall die during the recess of the assembly;” and to empower the governor, lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief of this island, to issue writs for the choice of members to serve in the assembly of the said island, in the room of such members who shall die, or shall be called up to the council of this island, during the recess of the assembly.”

“ An act for continuing an act, passed in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, entitled, ‘ An act for the ease and relief of jurors and suitors of the supreme and certain other courts within this island,’ for four months longer.”

“ An act to constitute certain persons, therein described, a corporation or body politic, for making and keeping up a close harbour at Meagre-Bay, being a part of Montego-Bay, in the parish of St. James; and for other purposes.”

“ An act for regulating the police of Montego-Bay; and for other purposes.”

“ An act for the better regulating the police of the town of Falmouth, in the parish of Trelawny; to provide against accidents by fire; to supply the said town, by aqueducts, with water; and for other purposes.”

“ An act for making free and rewarding a certain negro man slave named Harry, the son of Dover, vested in certain commissioners named and appointed in and by a certain act, entitled, ‘ An act to augment the salary of his excellency George Haldane, esquire; and for providing certain lands and premises to be annexed to the government, for the use of the governor for the time being;’ and for paying the value of the said slave.”

And then his honour was pleased to make the following speech:

“ GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

“ Having passed such bills as have been presented to me, I have great pleasure in thinking that nothing material has happened during your adjournment to prevent my granting you that recess which must be so desirable to you.

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

“ Accept my best thanks for your very great attention to, and dispatch of, the public business, and for the supplies you have so liberally granted.

“ GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

“ During your recess, permit me to recommend to you the enforcing, in your different parishes, the several laws you have so wisely framed, which must conduce to the happiness and prosperity of this valuable island.

“ The cordiality and unanimity that have attended all your proceedings must be exceedingly pleasing to our most gracious sovereign, and merit my most particular acknowledgments.

“ I therefore do now, in his majesty’s name, prorogue this general assembly to Tuesday the seventh day of April next; and it is prorogued accordingly.”

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“ By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Atkman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

W. BLAKE, *Speaker.*

END OF THE NINTH SESSION.

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# A P P E N D I X.

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## No. I.

THE ISLAND OF JAMAICA,

To SAMUEL BELL, Dr.

*For medicines supplied the prisoners in the gaol of the county of Cornwall, at  
Savanna-la-Mar, from 4th April, 1794, to 28th October following:*

	l.	s.	d.
PARTICULARS specified on two sides of post paper - -	82	0	0

THE ISLAND OF JAMAICA,

To SAMUEL BELL, Dr.

*For medicines supplied the two companies of the 16th regiment, quartered at  
Savanna-la-Mar, from 31st August, 1793, to 25th December following:*

Particulars specified on one side of post paper - - - -	10	12	6
	92	12	6

I, Samuel Bell, practitioner in physic, do swear, that the above medicines and drugs were administered as above set forth, and that the charges are usual and customary.

SAMUEL BELL.

Sworn before me, this 30th October, 1794.

JOHN LEWIS.

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## No. II.

ESTIMATE of John Aspinall.

	l.	s.	d.
For making carriages for 17 guns, and finding mahogany for ditto, at 15 <i>l.</i> each	255	0	0
For mounting 2 field-pieces, at 7 <i>l.</i> - - - -	14	0	0
To making fort door, finding boards, hinges, nails, &c. - -	4	0	0
For rammers, hand-pikes, &c. - - - -	3	0	0
For paint and oil for the guns and carriages - - - -	8	11	6

ESTIMATE of John M<sup>r</sup>Indoe.

Hoops for 12 pair of wheels, 216 <i>lbs.</i> at 1 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> - - -	13	10	0
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## No. V.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To THOMAS ALVES, deputy-marshal, and keeper of the  
gaols for St. James and Trelawny,*For the maintenance of the under-mentioned prisoners for debt, from the 25th November, 1792,  
to the 18th November, 1793.*

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1792, Nov. 25.	To this sum paid Allan M'Lean, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 7th April, 1793, is 133 days, at 1s. 3d.	8	6	3
	To this sum paid David Murray, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 7th April, 1793, is 133 days, at 1s. 3d.	8	6	3
Dec. 5.	To this sum paid William Smith, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 30th, both days inclusive, is 25 days, at 1s. 3d.	1	11	3
1793, April 1.	To this sum paid John Follent, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 18th, both inclusive, is 18 days, at 1s. 3d.	1	2	6
May 15.	To this sum paid John Marshall, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 18th day of November following, is 187 days, at 1s. 3d.	11	13	9
July 12.	To this sum paid John Taylor, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 18th November following, is 129 days, at 1s. 3d.	8	1	3
Aug. 28.	To this sum paid Edward Alley Love, his maintenance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from date to 18th November following, is 82 days, at 1s. 3d.	5	2	6
	To this sum paid Samuel Whitehead, his allowance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from 27th November, 1791, to 1st April, 1792, both inclusive, is 106 days, at 1s. 3d.	6	12	6
	To this sum paid Bernard Sawrez, his allowance as a debtor in the gaol of Montego-Bay, from 28th September 1792, to 14th October following, both inclusive, is 17 days, at 1s. 3d.	1	1	3
	To this sum paid Robert C. Anefus, his allowance as a debtor in the gaol of Martha-Brae, from 12th October to 26th November, 1793, both inclusive, 45 days, at 1s. 3d.	2	16	3
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JAMAICA, ff.

Thomas Alves, deputy-marshal, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that the several sums within specified were actually paid by him to the prisoners within named; and that the sums charged are, to the best of his knowledge and belief, according to law.

THOMAS ALVES.

Sworn before me, this 23d day of November, 1793.

GEORGE GOODIN BARRETT.

## No. VI.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To WILLIAM BRYAN.

1793.

l. s.

To the hire of a wherry, with five negroes, attending his majesty's 20th regiment of foot, quartered at Port-Royal, from the 7th September, 1792, to the 7th June,

1793. 274 days, at 15s. per day

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JAMAICA, *ff.*—Port-Royal.

I, William Bryan, do swear, that the above account for the hire of a wherry, with negroes, attending his majesty's 20th regiment, is just and true; and that the hire *per diem*, is at the usual and customary charge.

W. BRYAN.

Sworn before me, this 4th day of July, 1794.

A. SHAW.

## No. VII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To GEORGE ATKINSON, Dr.

l. s. d.

1793, Dec. 17. To copies of the following laws, sent three printers; viz.

Board of works—American probate—Insolvent debtors—

Barrack—Botanic Garden—Prize-goods—18 copies, at 20s.

18 0 0

To 1 copy of the board of works law, delivered Mr. Bullock

1 0 0

To 1 copy of the commissioners of accounts law, delivered

Mr. Smith

1 0 0

To 1 copy of the Liguanea Botanic Garden law, delivered do.

1 0 0

1794, Jan. 29. To cash paid John Sanders, his account for rollers, canvassing and fitting on two charts, directed from admiral Affleck to the committee of correspondence

3 5 0

O<sup>r</sup>. 22. To recording a sale of land, Donaldson & al. to the king

2 5 7½

To paid postage of letters to and from the agent; viz. 1793,

Dec. 4, 15s. 7½d.—9, 1s. 10½d.—14, 2s. 6d.—1794, Jan.

17, 2s. 6d.—Feb. 27, 10s.—May 8, 2l. 10s. 7½d.—June

17, 2l. 13s. 1½d.—July 5, 4s. 4½d.—Aug. 19, 10s. 7½d.

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To a copy of the rum law, sent the printer

1 0 0

Examining and attesting 532 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d.

66 10 0

To a copy of the poll-tax law, sent the printer

1 0 0

Examining and attesting 516 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d.

64 10 0

To a copy of the deficiency law, sent the printer

1 0 0

Examining and attesting 516 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d.

64 10 0

To a copy of the additional duty law, sent the printer

1 0 0

Examining and attesting 516 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d.

64 10 0

To a copy of the party law, sent the printer

1 0 0

Examining and attesting 516 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d.

64 10 0

To a copy of the public taxes law, sent the printer

1 0 0

Examining and attesting 516 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d.

64 10 0

To



# A P P E N D I X.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
To a copy of the surveyors law, sent the printer - -	1	0	0
Examining and attesting 540 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d. -	67	10	0
To a copy of the market law, sent the printer -	1	0	0
Examining and attesting 519 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d. -	64	17	6
To a copy of the foreign slave law, sent the printer -	1	0	0
Examining and attesting 526 copies, at 2s. 6d. - -	65	15	0
To a copy of the prize-goods law, sent the printer -	1	0	0
Examining and attesting 523 copies of ditto, at 2s. 6d. -	65	7	6
To recording the following laws; viz. Poll-tax—Rum—De-			
ficiency—Board of works—Market—St. Thomas in the			
Vale turnpike—Barracks—Cornwall barrack—Surveyors			
—Botanic garden—Insolvent debtors—Milk-River Bath—			
Additional duty—Tonnage—Collection of taxes—Com-			
missioners of accounts—Articles of war—Embargo—Party			
—Foreign slave—Forts and fortifications—Prize-goods—			
American probate—Election—Speaker's recompence—at			
20s. each - - - - -	25	0	0
To copies of 25 public acts, sent to Great-Britain under the			
island seal, for his majesty's approbation, including a box,			
paper, wax, marginal notes, &c. - - - -	29	15	0
To the duplicate of ditto - - - - -	29	15	0
To an attestation on the minutes of the assembly sent to			
England - - - - -	1	5	0
To making an alphabetical list of the letters of attorney re-			
corded from 1752 to 1787, contained in lib. 40 to 101 of			
powers inclusive, 485 fides, at 7s. 6d. - -	181	17	6
	964	4	4½

## JAMAICA, &c.

George Elliot Taylor, one of the clerks in the secretary's office of this island, being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that the above account is just and true; and that the several charges therein are at the usual and customary rates.

G. E. TAYLOR.

Sworn before me, this 18th day of Nov. 1794.

JOHN CLINTON M'ANUFF.

## No. VIII.

HONOURABLE THE BOARD OF WORKS,

To WM. SMART,

*Dr.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1792, Dec. 27. For publishing orders for meeting, 2 insertions - -	0	10	0
1793, Jan. 8. For ditto annual supply of lumber, 2 ditto - -	0	10	0
10. For ditto repairs wanted, king's house, 4 ditto - -	0	15	0
15. For ditto notice supplying materials for ditto, 6 ditto -	1	2	6
26. For ditto notice to contractors for masons work, 8 ditto -	1	10	0
Feb. 7. For ditto carriage of lumber, 4 ditto - -	0	15	0
b			For

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	For ditto supplying hard wood and mahogany, 4 ditto -	0	15	0
19.	For ditto blacksmiths work wanted. 5 ditto -	0	18	9
	For ditto carpenters work ( <i>i. e.</i> tables and benches), 5 ditto -	0	18	9
26.	For ditto notice to contractors for repairs, Rock-Fort, long, 5 ditto	1	17	6
Mar. 12.	For ditto notice ditto, Kingston barracks, carpenters and masons estimates. 2 ditto, long -	0	15	0
28.	For ditto carpenters and masons estimates ditto, 4 ditto, long -	1	10	0
April 26.	For ditto proposals for platforms, 4 ditto -	0	15	0
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The above account is just and true.

W. BULLOCK, *clerk to the board of works.*

## No. IX.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

		<i>To</i>	ROBERT SHAWE,	<i>Dr.</i>
				<i>l.</i> <i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
1794, May	2.	To drawing and engrossing contract between his honour the lieutenant-governor and Mark Howard, for supplying the horse of the 20th regiment light dragoons with forage, on two sheets imperial -		10 0 0
	8.	To ditto contract between his honour and Robert Ross, for supplying the horse of same regiment with pasturage, on 1½ sheets imperial -		7 10 0
June	11.	To drawing and engrossing conveyance of a slave from John Weir and wife to his majesty king George the third -		2 10 0
		To cash paid proving the execution of said sale -		0 10 0
		To attendance at secretary's office, and cash paid for recording ditto -		1 3 1½
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				21 13 1½

## No. X.

Schedule A.

*The king against* BARNEY JOSHUA, *for piracy.*

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1794, Feb.	To drawing and engrossing a commission for the trial of Joshua Barney, master of ship Sampson, for piracy -	5	0	0
	To filling up and sending 36 letters of notice, of the day fixed for holding the sessions, to the commissioners appointed, at 2s. 6d. each -	4	10	0
	To drawing and engrossing a writ of <i>venire facias</i> , for the 13th February -	3	15	0
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*l. s. d.*

To drawing an indictment against said Farney, for felony and piracy, making a fair copy of said draft after having been altered by Mr. Advocate-General and Mr. Attorney-General, so that the same might be revised and settled by them, being very long and special	-	-	-	7	10	0
Attending Mr. Advocate-General and Mr. Attorney-General, many times, to settle the same	-	-	-	2	10	0
To engrossing said indictment	-	-	-	5	0	0
To attending sessions on the 13th February, when the said bill was sent into the grand jury and returned <i>billa vera</i> , and the court adjourned to 3d March	-	-	-	5	0	0
To taking three recognizances to appear and give evidence	-	-	-	3	15	0
To drawing and engrossing an <i>alias</i> writ of <i>venire facias</i> for the 3d March	-	-	-	3	15	0
To attending sessions on the 3d March, when the same was opened, and the court adjourned to 10th March	-	-	-	5	0	0
To attending sessions on the 10th ditto, when the prisoner was tried and acquitted	-	-	-	5	0	0
To recording the proceedings	-	-	-	5	0	0
To cash paid printer advertising the several sessions	-	-	-	1	15	0
				57	10	0

# No. XI.

*Expence of medicines, &c. supplied the sick prisoners in the gaol of Kingston, from the 8th November, 1793, to 8th November, 1794, by JAMES WALKER, M. D.*

Particulars specified in 18 folio pages, amounting to	-	-	<i>l. s. d.</i>
			214 12 6

The number of patients, 162.

We, the undersigned practitioners in physick and surgery in the town of Kingston, having particularly examined the above account of medicines and other necessaries furnished to the sick prisoners in the gaol of this town, by doctor James Walker, physician thereto, are of opinion, that they could not be procured here at a cheaper rate than the charges respectively stated.

JNO. MACK GLASHAN.  
COLIN MAC LARTY.

I do hereby certify, that doctor James Walker has diligently and carefully, during the time in his petition mentioned, attended upon, and supplied with medicines, the sick prisoners in the gaol of Kingston, and I believe has thereby saved the lives of many of them.

H. FRASER, D. M.

Kingston, 8th November, 1794.



## No. XII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To* DUNCAN FRASER, *deputy-marshal of the court of vice-admiralty,* *Dr.*

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Dec. 13.	To taking into custody the body of Joshua Barney, charged with piracy on the high seas - - -	5	0	0
	To taking into custody the bodies of James Russell and John Cadding, two crown evidences in the matter afore said - -	2	10	0
Feb. 10.	To warning a jury by virtue of his majesty's writ of <i>venue facias</i> for the trial of Joshua Barney - - -	5	0	0
	To bringing the prisoner into court for trial - - -	1	5	0
	To bringing into court, and before the grand jury, the two crown evidences - - -	2	10	0
	To cash paid five constables attending court and grand jury, <i>per receipt</i> - - -	5	5	0
Feb. 16.	To calling and attending court this day, when the court was adjourned until the 3d day of March - - -	5	0	0
Feb. 25.	To warning another jury, by virtue of his majesty's writ of <i>venue facias</i> , for the trial of Joshua Barney - - -	5	0	0
	To bringing prisoner into court for trial - - -	1	5	0
	To bringing two crown evidences into court - - -	2	10	0
	To paid four constables attending court, <i>per receipt</i> - - -	4	5	0
Mar. 3.	To calling and attending court this day, when the court was adjourned to 10th March - - -	5	0	0
Mar. 10.	To bringing the prisoner into court - - -	1	5	0
	To bringing the two crown evidences into court - - -	2	10	0
	To paid four constables attending court, <i>per receipt</i> - - -	4	5	0
	To calling and attending court this day, when the prisoner was found not guilty - - -	5	0	0
		57	10	0

## No. XIII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*To* PETER CHISHOLM, *deputy-marshal, and keeper of the county gaol for Surrey,**For cash advanced for the maintenance of prisoners confined in the said gaol for debt, from 1st October, 1793, to 10th February, 1794, inclusive.* *Dr.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
James G. Phillips, from 1st October, 1793, to 10th February, 1794, 133 days, at 1s. 3d. - - -	8	6	3
William Glann, from 1st October, 1793, to 10th February, 1794, 133 days, at 1s. 3d. - - -	8	6	3
John Lark, from 1st October, 1793, to 22d January, 1794, 114 days, at 1s. 3d. - - -	7	2	6
Constantine McGinness, from 1st October, 1793, to 2d January, 1794, 94 days - - -	5	17	6
George Freeze, from 1st October, 1793, to 2d January, 1794, 94 days - - -	5	17	6
Samuel			

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Samuel Newcombe, from 1st October, 1793, to 2d January, 1794, 94 days -	5	17	6
William Hornby, from 19th December, 1793, to 10th February, 1794, 54 days	3	7	6
William Anderson, from 22d January to 10th February, 1794, 20 days -	1	5	0
Isaac M. Quiros, from 25th January to 10th February, 1794, 17 days -	1	1	3
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	47	1	3

## JAMAICA, //

Peter Chisholm, late deputy-marshal for Kingston, being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that the several sums of money mentioned in the above account have been expended by him; for the purposes therein mentioned.

PETER CHISHOLM.

Sworn before me, this 24th day of Nov. 1794;

C. OSWIN.

## No. XIV.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To GEORGE FRENCH, Dr.

1794, Jan. 11.	Drawing conveyance from Donaldson & al. executors of James Murray, to the king, of the land, &c. on which part of the barracks in Spanish-Town are erected, and engrossing same on two sheets and an half of royal paper	-	-	10	0	0
	February Grand Court.					
	Rex, vs. Geoghegan, issuing venditioni	-	-	0	13	9
May 1.	Mitchell, R. G. vs. Grant & al. exors. of Hamilton					
	Drawing brief on <i>scire facias</i> on near three sheets of post paper, with accounts annexed	-	-	3	0	0
	Making fair copy for Mr. Attorney-General	-	-	2	5	0
	Attending the receiver-general for instructions for the above and following briefs, and Mr. Attorney-General in Kingston, to consult with him whether the evidence the receiver-general had to produce was sufficient to assess the damages	-	-	5	0	0
	Fee paid Mr. Attorney-General by the receiver-general, on consultation, 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i>					
	Fee paid him by receiver-general, with brief, 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i>					
	Attending him with brief and fee	-	-	1	5	0
	Attending court in Kingston when the damages were assessed	-	-	2	10	0
	Taxed costs on judgment	-	-	8	5	0
	Rex vs. Grant & al. exors. drawing brief on near three sheets of post paper, with the accounts annexed	-	-	3	0	0
	Making fair copy for Mr. Attorney-General	-	-	2	5	0
	Fee paid him by the receiver-general, 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i>					
	Attending him with brief and fee	-	-	1	5	0
	Attending court in Kingston when damages were assessed	-	-	2	10	0
	Taxed costs on judgment	-	-	8	5	0
	Rex vs. Grant & al. exors. drawing brief on near three sheets of post paper, with accounts annexed	-	-	3	0	0
	Making fair copy for Mr. Attorney-General	-	-	2	5	0
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	Fee paid him by the receiver-general, 5 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i>		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	Attending him with brief and fee	- - -	1	5	0
	Attending court in Kingston when damages were assessed	-	2	10	0
	Taxed costs on judgment	- - - -	8	5	0
	Rex <i>vs.</i> Sterling, only acting exor.—Taxed costs on judgment		4	16	9
	Rex <i>vs.</i> same the like	- - -	4	16	9
	Rex <i>vs.</i> same—Honorary fee	25 <i>s.</i>			
	Taxed costs on judgment on <i>scire facies</i> ,	65 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> -	4	10	6
	Rex <i>vs.</i> same the like	- - -	4	10	6
	<i>June Grand Court.</i>				
	Rex <i>vs.</i> Geoghegan, issuing venditioni	- -	0	13	9
July	18. Trouble in going to, at, and returning from Kingston, and attending the receiver-general concerning the debt due to the public from Hamilton's estate	- -	5	0	0
Aug.	9. Drawing case concerning the before-mentioned debt, engrossing same on near four sides of post paper, and attending Mr. Attorney-General with same	- - -	5	0	0
	Fee paid him by Mr. Receiver-General.	10 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i>			
	Drawing and engrossing Mr. Holcombe's affidavit of the debt due from Geoghegan for the purpose of underwriting him		0	12	6
	Cash paid at the secretary's office for underwriting him	-	0	4	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	Trouble and attendance at the office for that purpose	-	0	12	6
Sept.	6. Journey and attendance at the receiver-general's office in Kingston for vouchers, and to get account settled of what was due from the securities of Rogers for taxes for St. Andrew, and to have damages assessed on the two <i>scire facies</i> 's	-	5	0	0
	<i>October Grand Court.</i>				
	Rex <i>vs.</i> Geoghegan, issuing venditioni	- -	0	13	9
	Cash paid provost-marshal for special precept	- -	0	12	6
	Attending at the office to procure same	- -	0	12	6
	<i>June Grand Court, 1794.</i>				
	Rex <i>vs.</i> Bowen, drawing and engrossing affidavit of Mr. Holcombe, clerk to James Mitchell, esquire, receiver-general		0	12	6
	Paid filing the same	- - -	0	1	3
	Motion and order for defendant to shew cause why he had not paid to the receiver-general monies due for taxes for St. James		0	12	6
	Attending court on motion	- - -	1	5	0
	Paid clerk of the court signing order	- - -	0	2	6
	Making copy of order to serve	- - -	0	2	6
	Drawing affidavit of service and engrossing same	- -	0	12	6
	Rex <i>vs.</i> Chambers the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Duffus the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Evans the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Goulburn the like	- - -	3	8	9
	M'Kay the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Ridley the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Smith the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Tomlinson the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Wright the like	- - -	3	8	9
	Whitfinch the like	- - -	3	8	9

GEO. FRENCH. 143 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

JAMAICA,



JAMAICA, *ff.*

Thomas Newland, of the parish of St. Catherine, in the island of Jamaica, gentleman, being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that he this deponent hath transacted all the business contained in the above account, for George French, solicitor for the crown; and this deponent faith, that the above account is just and true, to the best of this deponent's knowledge and belief.

THO. NEWLAND.

Sworn this 25th day of Nov. 1794, before me,  
W. BULLOCK.

## No. XV.

MR. JOHN SANDERS,

To ROBERT HAYLETT.

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Aug.	6.	To foldering done to the gutters on the king's house	-	1	12 6
		Furnishing 9 lb. folder, at 2s. 6d.	-	-	1 2 6
Nov.	6.	Soldering the seams of the new gutters of the king's house, 21 feet, at 5s.	-	-	5 5 0
		Cutting, laying, and foldering, three small gutters through the wall	1	7	6
		Furnishing 53 lb. folder for the above, at 2s. 6d.	-	6	12 6
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Received payment from Mr. Sanders.

ROBT. HAYLETT.

## No. XVI.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To DAVID DICKSON.

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Dec.	19.	To advertising meeting of commissioners of accounts the 20th inst.	0	5	0
		To ditto ditto board of works	-	-	0 5 0
	31.	To ditto two seamstresses wanted for the king's house, 6 weeks	1	2	6
1794, Jan.	2.	To ditto persons to contract for supplying ironmongery, 2 weeks	0	10	0
		To ditto ditto ditto lumber and shingles, 2 ditto	-	0	10 0
	8.	To ditto meeting road commissioners the 13th	-	-	0 5 0
		To ditto division and names on attorneys commission bill, 1 mo.	1	0	0
		To ditto notice that the meeting of the board of works will in future be on Fridays instead of Thursdays, 1 month	-	0	15 0
	14.	To one quire foolscap, 2s. 6d. for board of works	-	0	2 6
	17.	To advertising for persons willing to supply ironmongery, 2 wks.	0	10	0
		To ditto notice that tradesmen not complying with contracts will be prosecuted, 3 weeks	-	-	0 15 0
		To ditto for persons to contract for carrying lumber, &c. 2 ditto	0	10	0
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		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	31. To advertising order for printing sundry letters in St. Jago and Royal Gazettes and Cornwall Chronicle, 1 month -	0	15	0
	To do. probate law, 1 m. 40s.—do. insolvent debtors law, 1 m. 60s.	5	0	0
	To ditto barrack law, 1 mo. 20s.—1st prize-goods ditto, 1 mo. 65s.	4	5	0
	To ditto commissioners public works law, 1 mo. 100s.—ditto botanic garden law, 80s.	9	0	0
<i>Feb.</i>	4. To one quire quarto post - - - - -	0	2	6
	7. To one ditto foolscap, 2s. 6d.—Advertising meeting road commissioners, 5s. - - - - -	0	7	6
	21. To advertising for persons to contract for stone guttering to Botanic Garden, 3 weeks - - - - -	0	15	0
<i>Mar.</i>	7. To ditto that the receiver-general will sue all debt due the public prior to 1st Jan. 1793, 2 months - - - - -	1	10	0
	To ditto repairs wanted to stone guttering of Botanic Garden, 3 weeks - - - - -	0	15	0
	To ditto 200 tons of stone wanted for Rodney's statue, 6 do. - - - - -	1	2	6
	15. To one quire foolscap - - - - -	0	2	6
	21. To advertising notice that sundry articles of carpenters and masons work are wanted at the artillery barrack at Fort-Royal, 5 weeks - - - - -	0	18	9
	To ditto carpenters estimate for ditto (long), 5 weeks - - - - -	3	15	0
	To ditto masons ditto for ditto, 5 weeks - - - - -	1	13	4
<i>April</i>	4. To ditto sundry ditto work wanted at king's house and new gaol, 4 weeks - - - - -	0	15	0
	To ditto carpenter's ditto for king's house, 4 ditto - - - - -	1	10	0
	To ditto ditto ditto for new and old gaol, 4 ditto - - - - -	1	0	0
	To ditto plumbers ditto for king's house, 4 ditto - - - - -	0	15	0
	To ditto bricklayers estimate for old and new gaol, 4 ditto - - - - -	0	15	0
	To ditto for persons willing to contract for blacksmiths work, 3 do. - - - - -	0	15	0
	To one quire foolscap - - - - -	0	2	6
<i>May</i>	12. To advertising for persons to collect rum duties, 16 weeks - - - - -	4	0	0
	23. To ditto notice that sundry masons and carpenters work is wanted at the dragoons and 62d barracks, Fort-Augusta, Apostles-Battery, and Kingston gaol, 5 weeks - - - - -	0	18	9
	To two quires foolscap, 8th and 20th May inst. - - - - -	0	5	0
	To advertising masons estimate for the above works, 5 weeks - - - - -	3	2	6
	To ditto carpenters ditto for ditto, 5 ditto - - - - -	5	0	0
	To ditto commissioners of plants to meet in Spanish-Town - - - - -	0	10	0
<i>June</i>	13. To ditto meeting road commissioners the 16th, 4 weeks - - - - -	0	15	0
	20. To ditto distribution of Botanic Garden plants for Middlesex, 1 month - - - - -	2	5	0
	28. To ditto notice that sundry work is wanted at the dragoons and 62d barracks and at Fort-Augusta, 4 weeks - - - - -	0	15	0
	To ditto masons estimate for ditto and at ditto, 4 weeks - - - - -	1	5	0
	To ditto carpenters ditto ditto, 4 weeks - - - - -	1	5	0
<i>July</i>	4. To ditto meeting of the commissioners of new road postponed to 19th July, 3 ditto - - - - -	0	15	0
<i>Aug.</i>	2. To ditto ditto ditto to 7th August, 4 ditto - - - - -	0	15	0
	25. To one quire quarto, 1st July, 2s. 6d.—two ditto foolscap, 4th, 5s.—one ditto ditto, Aug. 2d, 2s. 6d. - - - - -	0	10	0

To

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	To advertising meeting of Botanic Garden committee put off to the 21st, 11 weeks	-	-	2 1 3
	To one ream foolscap, and half ditto gilt quarto, supplied the board of public works 7th Aug.	-	-	3 5 0
<i>Oct.</i>	5. To one quire foolscap, 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> —15th, one quire quarto, 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> —18th, one ditto ditto, 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	-	-	0 7 6
	31. To advertising proclamation proroguing assembly from time to time, 44 weeks	-	-	8 5 0
	To ditto distribution of the Botanic Garden plants for Cornwall, 21 weeks	-	-	3 18 9
<i>Nov.</i>	8. To ditto resolutions of Botanic Garden committee on 7th Dec. 1793, and 9th May, 1794, with Mr. Wiles's letter, &c. very long, 28 weeks, at 22 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	-	-	31 10 0
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	To ditto names of persons appointed to collect rum duties, 29 ws.	7	5	0
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		120	8	4

JAMAICA, *ff.*

The above is a just and true account, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. DICKSON.

Sworn before me, this 26th day of Nov. 1794.

W. BULLOCK.

## No. XVII.

THE list referred to contains the names of 226 French prisoners, taken and brought into this island by privateers and letters of marque; also the names of 460 others, composing distressed French families from St. Domingo, and as such receiving subsistence from government; making in all 686 persons.

## No. XVIII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To ALEXANDER AIKMAN, Dr.

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, <i>Nov.</i>	23. For publishing resolve that the house will receive no business of a private nature after the 26th inst. 5 weeks	-	-	0 18 9
<i>Dec.</i>	7. For ditto resolution of the house voting 100 <i>l.</i> to the speaker, 1 mo.	1	5	0
	28. For ditto division of the house on the bill to reduce attorneys commissions, 1 month	-	-	1 5 0
	For ditto bill respecting prize-goods, and the landing of them in this island, 1 month	-	-	3 10 0
	For ditto ditto commissioners of board of works, 1 month	5	0	0
	For ditto ditto Botanic Garden, 1 ditto	4	0	0
	d			For



			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
		For publishing notice respecting the granting of licenses to French subjects, 39 weeks - - -	7	6	3
		For ditto ditto ditto in French, 39 weeks - - -	7	6	3
1794 <sup>th</sup>	Feb.	8. For ditto bill respecting probates taken in the United States, 1 mo.	2	5	0
		For ditto an act to explain and amend 3d clause of insolvent debtors, 1 month - - -	3	10	0
		For ditto ditto for putting the several barracks of this island on the public establishment, 1 month - - -	1	5	0
		11. For one copy of the Abridgment of the Laws of Jamaica, 4to. calf and lettered - - -	2	10	0
		For one ditto of the Laws of 33d Geo. III. in boards - - -	1	0	0
		12. For printing 600 copies of the rum law, 7 sheets, at 3 <i>l.</i> per sheet per hundred - - -	126	0	0
		For ditto 575 ditto of the deficiency ditto, 7 ditto, at ditto ditto	120	15	0
		For ditto 575 ditto of the poll-tax ditto, 8 ditto, at ditto ditto	138	0	0
		For ditto 575 ditto of the additional duty di to. 5 do. at do. do.	86	5	0
		For ditto 600 ditto of the surveyors ditto, 5 ditto, at do. do.	90	0	0
		For ditto 600 ditto of the foreign slave ditto, 4 ditto, at do. do.	72	0	0
		For ditto 575 ditto of the party ditto, 3 ditto, at ditto ditto	51	15	0
		For ditto 575 ditto of the collection of public taxes, 3 ditto, at ditto ditto - - -	51	15	0
		For ditto 600 ditto of the prize-goods law, 2 sheets, at ditto ditto	36	0	0
		For ditto 575 ditto of the law for establishing markets, 2 ditto, at ditto ditto - - -	34	10	0
May		2. For ditto 300 copies of a catalogue of rare plants in the Botanic Garden, in Liguanea, also of exotics wanted there - - -	30	0	0
		3. For advertising 200 tons of stone wanted for lord Rodney's statue, 14 weeks - - -	2	12	6
		14. For binding 80 copies of the Votes for 1793, at 10 <i>s.</i> - - -	40	0	0
		For printing 200 copies of the Laws, 34th Geo. III. 17 sheets, at 4 <i>l.</i> per sheet per hundred - - -	136	0	0
		For half-binding 200 copies ditto, at 5 <i>s.</i> - - -	50	0	0
		17. For advertising distribution of plants for the county of Surrey, 21st inst. 1 week - - -	0	5	0
		24. For ditto a meeting of the members of Middlesex, for distributing the South-Sea plants, 2 weeks - - -	0	10	0
		31. For ditto Thomas Cockburn, esquire, appointed chairman of the Surrey committee, instead of Z. B. Edwards, esquire, 2 weeks	0	10	0
		For ditto meeting of the committee at Bath, 2 ditto - - -	0	10	0
June	21.	For ditto distribution of plants for the county of Middlesex, 1 mo.	2	10	0
July	11.	For printing 600 copies of the <i>Hortus Easienfis</i> on wove demy, 10 sheets quarto each, at 4 <i>l.</i> per sheet per hundred, covered in marble paper and stitched - - -	240	0	0
		12. For advertising meeting of the committee at Bath postponed, 7 ws.	1	6	3
		For ditto distribution of plants for the county of Cornwall, 1 mo.	0	15	0
Aug.	9.	For taking down a folio minute book, adding two quires of medium thereto, and rebinding the same in rough calf and lettered	2	10	0
		16. For advertising meeting of the committee at Bath, 21st Aug. 6 ws.	1	10	0
Oct.	31.	For one minute book, containing six quires of medium paper, lined, bound in rough calf, and lettered - - -	5	0	0
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<i>Nov.</i> 15	For four copies of the Laws of Jamaica, 2 vols. 4to. furnished	l.	s.	d.
	two new members of the house, according to law, at 8 <i>l.</i> 5 <i>s.</i>	33	0	0
	For four ditto of the Abridgments of ditto. furnished ditto, at 40 <i>s.</i>	8	0	0
	For four ditto of the Laws of 33d and 37th Geo. III. in boards, furnished ditto, at 20 <i>s.</i>	-	-	-
		4	0	0
	For four ditto ditto, for the use of the house, at 20 <i>s.</i>	-	-	-
		4	0	0
24.	For printing two quires proposals for publishing annals of bo- tany, &c. two upon a sheet of best foolscap	-	-	-
		3	0	0
	For publishing resolve that the house will receive no business of a private nature after Friday 28th inst. 3 weeks	-	-	-
		0	15	0
26.	For ditto resolution of the committee of plants of 7th December 1793, respecting the appointment of the sub-committee, 30 wks.	7	10	0
	For ditto list of plants for distribution at Bath, 30 ditto	15	0	0
	For ditto ditto ditto at the Botanic Garden, Liguanea, 30 ditto	11	5	0
	For ditto resolution offering a premium for introducing the seed of a species of grafts, with an extract of a letter from Mr. Wiles, 30 weeks	-	-	-
		15	0	0
	To amount of account against receiver-general's office	68	13	9
	To ditto ditto board of works	-	-	-
		40	14	2
	To ditto ditto for pay-bills	-	-	-
		58	10	0
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JAMAICA, *ff.*

Alexander Aikman being duly sworn, maketh oath that the above account is just, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that the charges are usual and customary.

A. AIKMAN.

Sworn before me, this 27th Nov. 1794.

GEO. CRUICKSHANK.

RECEIVER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

To ALEXANDER AIKMAN, *Dr.*

		l.	s.	d.
1794, <i>Jan.</i> 15.	For printing, on extra large thin quarto post, with scroll and margin, 200 certificates, payable on the 10th day of Aug. next	3	0	0
22.	For one copy of the rum law for 1794, 7 sheets	-	0	8
	For one ditto deficiency ditto, 7 sheets, 8 <i>s.</i> 9 <i>d.</i> —one ditto poll- tax ditto, 8 sheets, 10 <i>s.</i>	-	-	-
		0	18	9
	For one ditto of the additional duty law, 5 sheets	-	0	6
		-	-	3
<i>Mar.</i> 12.	For printing 500 fort-passes, 6 upon a sheet of folio post, at 30 <i>s.</i> <i>per</i> hundred	-	-	-
		7	10	0
29.	For ditto four quires of bonds respecting the exportation of prize-goods, one on a sheet of superfine foolscap, at 20 <i>s.</i>	4	0	0
<i>Aug.</i> 9.	For one copy of the Laws of Jamaica, of 34th Geo. III. in boards	1	0	0
13.	For printing (6 quires) 1150 gunpowder certificates, 8 on a sheet, at 20 <i>s.</i> <i>per</i> hundred	-	-	-
		11	10	0
15.	For ditto 500 fort-passes, six on a sheet of thin folio post, at 30 <i>s.</i> <i>per</i> hundred	-	-	-
		7	10	0
<i>Oct.</i> 31.	For ditto 500 manifests, on superfine medium paper, at 100 <i>s.</i> <i>per</i> hundred	-	-	-
		25	0	0
<i>Nov.</i> 15.	For ditto 500 fort-passes, six on a sheet of thin folio post, at 30 <i>s.</i> <i>per</i> hundred	-	-	-
		7	10	0
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		68	13	9

THE

## THE HONOURABLE BOARD OF WORKS,

To ALEXANDER AIKMAN, Dr.

l. s. d.

1793, Jan. 12.	For publishing resolution of 22d December to receive proposals for supplying lumber, 2 weeks	-	-	0	15	0
	For ditto ditto of 3d inst. to receive proposals for masons work at king's house, 1 week	-	-	0	6	8
	For ditto ditto of the 3d inst. for proposals to furnish materia's, 1 wk.	-	-	0	6	8
19.	For ditto ditto of 10th inst. to receive proposals for supplying ironmongery, 1 week	-	-	0	6	8
Feb. 22.	For ditto ditto of 17th Jan. to receive proposals for masons work at the king's house, 3 weeks	-	-	0	15	0
9.	For ditto ditto of 31st Jan. last, to receive proposals for sundry works at the king's house, 1 week	-	-	0	10	0
	For ditto ditto of 31st Jan. last, to receive proposals for carrying of lumber to sundry public buildings, 1 week	-	-	0	6	8
	For ditto ditto of ditto to receive proposals for supplying the public buildings with hard wood and mahogany, 1 week	-	-	0	5	0
16.	For ditto ditto of 10th Jan. to receive proposals for repairs, &c. to the barracks, 5 weeks	-	-	1	17	6
22.	For ditto ditto of 7th inst. to receive proposals for blacksmiths work at public buildings, 2 weeks	-	-	0	10	0
	For ditto ditto to receive proposals for tables and benches, 2 do.	-	-	0	10	0
	For ditto ditto of the statement of the work to be done, 2 ditto	-	-	0	10	0
Mar. 2.	For ditto ditto of 14th ult. to receive proposals for sundry repairs at Rock-Fort, 2 weeks	-	-	0	10	0
	For ditto ditto of the statement of the work to be done, 2 ditto	-	-	0	15	0
30.	For ditto ditto 21st inst. to receive proposals for carpenters and masons work to be done at Kingston barracks, 1 week	-	-	0	6	8
	For ditto ditto statement of carpenters work to be done, 1 week	-	-	0	6	8
	For ditto ditto ditto of masons ditto ditto, 1 ditto	-	-	0	6	8
April 6.	For ditto ditto of 28th ult. to receive proposals for carpenters and masons work at the gaol and dragoon riding-house, Spanish-Town, 3 weeks	-	-	1	0	0
27.	For ditto ditto to receive fresh proposals for supplying lumber and ironmongery, 1 week	-	-	0	7	6
	For ditto ditto to receive proposals for supplying 10th regiment with platforms and hammocks, 1 week	-	-	0	7	6
	For ditto ditto tradesmen giving in proposals to attend themselves, 1 week	-	-	0	5	0
May 18.	For ditto ditto of 3d inst. to receive proposals for sundry repairs to Spanish-Town gaol, 1 week	-	-	0	5	0
	For ditto ditto statement of the above work to be done, 1 ditto	-	-	0	6	8
June 15.	For ditto ditto to receive proposals for carpenters work at the gaol and dragoon riding-house, Spanish-Town, 1 week	-	-	0	5	0
29.	For ditto ditto to receive proposals for repairing Spanish-Town gaol, 2 ditto	-	-	0	10	0
	For ditto ditto statement of work to be done, 2 ditto	-	-	0	10	0
Dec. 28.	For publishing contract for ironmongery, &c. 2 weeks	-	-	0	10	0
	For ditto meeting of the board altered to Friday, 1 month	-	-	0	15	0
	For ditto contract for building lumber and shingles, 2 weeks	-	-	0	10	0

For



			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1794, Jan. 11.	For publishing contract for ironmongery, 1 week	-	0	6	8
	For ditto notice to defaulters in contracts, 1 ditto	-	0	6	8
	For ditto contract for carriage of ironmongery and lumber, 1 do.	-	0	6	8
Mar. 15.	For ditto carpenters and masons estimates for artillery barracks at Port-Royal, 3 weeks	- - -	5	0	0
29.	For ditto proposals for blacksmiths work to be received, 2 weeks	- - -	0	13	4
	For ditto resolution of the board 21st inst. for the following estimates, 3 weeks	- - - -	0	15	0
	For ditto carpenters estimates for the king's house, and old and new gaol, bricklayers estimates for the old and new gaol, and plumbers estimates for the king's house, 3 weeks	-	5	0	0
	For ditto proposals to be rendered by the 4th April, 3 ditto	-	0	15	0
May 17.	For ditto estimates for repairs to several forts, barracks, and gaols, &c. 3 weeks	- - -	8	15	0
June 21.	For ditto proposals for masons work to be done at the dragoon barrack, 3 weeks	- - - -	2	0	0
	For ditto ditto for carpenters work at Fort-Augusta, 3 ditto	-	1	10	0
July 12.	For ditto lumber wanted for buildings and barracks, 1 ditto	-	0	10	0
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*Account of WEEKLY ISLAND PAY-BILLS, furnished to Alexander Donaldson, esquire, contractor for victualling his majesty's troops, since the date of the last account paid by the public.*

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>
1793, Dec. 28.	For printing 500 weekly island pay-bills	-	7	10		
	21 quires of foolscap for ditto	-	2	5—9	15	
1794, Jan. 29.	For ditto 500 weekly island pay-bills	-	7	10		
	21 quires of foolscap for ditto	-	2	5—9	15	
Mar. 24.	For ditto 500 weekly island pay-bills	-	7	10		
	21 quires of foolscap for ditto	-	2	5—9	15	
April 2.	For ditto 500 weekly island pay-bills	-	7	10		
	21 quires of foolscap for ditto	-	2	5—9	15	
Aug. 7.	For ditto 500 weekly island pay-bills	-	7	10		
	21 quires of foolscap for ditto	-	2	5—9	15	
Nov. 3.	For ditto 500 weekly island pay-bills	-	7	10		
	21 quires of foolscap for ditto	-	2	5—9	15	
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			58		10	
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I do certify, that the above island pay-bills have been furnished to the contractor for victualling his majesty's troops, since the date of the last account paid by the public.

ALEX. FORBES, agent to the contractor.

## No. XIX.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To DONALD CAMPELL, Dr.

l. s. d.

For his pay as captain of Fort-Montego, in the parish of St. James, from 1st

December, 1793, to 30th November, 1794 - - - 121 13 4

For lodging-money from 1st December, 1793, to 1st March, 1794 - 12 10 0

134 3 4

For the hire of a white man to take care of the powder magazine for one year 50 0 0

184 3 4

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To DONALD CAMPELL, Dr.

l. s. d.

1794. To the hire of foundry negroes, and their allowance, employed in furnishing the detachment of the royal artillery with wood and water, and in other matters relative to the service of Fort-Montego, in the parish of St. James, amounting in the whole to - - -

175 17 6

## No. XX.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To JAMES FANNIN, Dr.

l. s. d.

1794, Jan. 7. For advertising resolution of the house voting 1000*l.* to the speaker, 1 month - - - 1 5 0  
 For ditto division of the house on the bill to reduce attorneys commissions, 1 month - - - 1 5 0  
 25. For ditto an order for six laws to be published, 1 month 0 15 0  
 For ditto board of works law, 1 month - - - 5 0 0  
 For ditto probate law, 1 month - - - 2 5 0  
 For ditto insolvent debtor law, 1 month - - - 3 10 0  
 For ditto barrack law, 1 month - - - 1 5 0  
 For ditto botanic law, 1 month - - - 4 0 0  
 For ditto relief of captors of prizes, 1 month - 3 10 0  
 Feb. 26. For printing 200 receiver-general's certificates on fine 4to. post 5 0 0  
 May 29. For advertising a meeting of the sub-committee of the county of Cornwall, 2 weeks - - - 0 10 0  
 June 7. For ditto for collectors of the rum duty, 4 months - 4 0 0  
 30. For printing 150 parish-tax rolls for the parish of Hanover 5 0 0  
 July 5. For advertising distribution of bread-fruit trees in the county of Middlesex, 1 month - - - 2 10 0  
 For ditto ditto county of Cornwall, 1 month - 1 0 0  
 Nov. 12. For ditto commissioners of accounts directing the receiver-general to put in suit accounts prior to 1st of Jan. 8 mo. 1 w. 6 5 0

For

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
For advertising the commissioners having appointed receivers of the rum duty, 6 months - - -	6	0	0
For ditto list of plants ready for distribution in the Botanic Garden, and resolutions, 4 months - -	26	0	0
For printing 200 tax-rolls for the parish of St. James -	7	10	0
For ditto 200 ditto for the parish of St. Ann -	7	10	0
For advertising a notice that no private business will be received after the 28th inst. 3 weeks - - -	0	15	0
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	94	15	0

JAMAICA, *ff.*

I do swear, that the above account is just, and charged at the usual rates, and that no part thereof hath been paid.

JAMES FANNIN.

*Sworn before me, this 13th day of Nov. 1794.*

DON. CAMPBELL.

# No. XXI.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To STRUPAR, BENNETT, & DODDINGTON, *Dr.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1794, Nov. 28. To advertising that business of a private nature will not be received after this date, 18 times - - -	3	7	6

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Thomas Strupar maketh oath, that the above account is just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

THOMAS STRUPAR.

*Sworn before me, this 26th Nov. 1794.*

ALGER. WARREN.

BOARD OF WORKS,

To STRUPAR, BENNETT, & DODDINGTON, *Dr.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Jan. 10. To advertising lumber wanted for the public buildings, 5 times	1	5	0
14. To ditto carpenters and masons work for ditto, 6 times -	1	2	6
17. To ditto brick, lime, &c. for ditto, 4 ditto -	0	15	0
Feb. 6. To ditto notice to persons willing to undertake repairs of do. 16 do.	3	0	0
To ditto proposals for fixing kitchen furniture, 8 times -	1	10	0
To ditto contract for carrying timber, 8 ditto -	1	10	0
To ditto ditto for hardwood, 8 ditto -	1	10	0
27. To ditto ditto for blacksmiths work, 12 ditto -	2	5	0
To ditto ditto for tables and benches, 12 ditto -	2	5	0
Mar. 7. To ditto ditto for work at Rock-Fort, 11 times -	2	15	0
14. To ditto ditto at Kingston barracks, 4 ditto -	1	5	0
April 4. To ditto ditto, 9 ditto -	2	16	3
26. To ditto ditto for lumber and ironmongery, 3 ditto -	0	15	0

To



			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	To advertizing contract for hammocks and platforms for 10th and 13th regiments, 3 times	-	-	0	15 0
Dec. 19.	To ditto meeting of committee, 4 ditto	-	-	0	15 0
	To ditto several resolutions (Dec. 92)	-	-	0	15 0
				2	18 9

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Thomas Strupar maketh oath, that the above account is just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

THOMAS STRUPAR.

Sworn before me, this 26th Nov. 1794.

ALGER. WARREN.

## No. XXII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To D. FINLAYSON, late D. M.

			<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Dec. 3.	Sixty-five days maintenance of William Dixon, committed for larceny, at 7½ <i>d. per diem</i>	-	-	2	0 7½
	Cash paid for a shirt and pair of trowsers for him, he having no cloaths to appear decently in before the court	-	-	0	16 3
	Cash paid a deputy and constable their expences for conveying Frederick Fairman to Montego-Bay	-	-	5	10 0
	Horse-hire and mile-money	-	-	6	13 9
1794, Jan. 15.	Fifteen days maintenance of Js. Mardiner, a debtor	-	-	0	18 9
April 2.	Horse-hire, mile-money, and expences, for conveying Robert William Forsyth from Lucea	-	-	5	7 6
	3. Eighty-one days maintenance of Mary Pight, a debtor, at 15. 3 <i>d. per diem</i>	-	-	5	1 3
	Mile-money and expences in conveying Ellis Lyons, a debtor, from Black-River	-	-	2	12 6
July 8.	Maintenance of Thomas Streete, committed for an assault, 83 days, at 15. 3 <i>d.</i>	-	-	5	3 9
	Mile-money and expences in conveying him from Lucea 12th April, and carrying him there the 8th of July	-	-	5	7 6
	Twenty-three days maintenance of Gertham Williams, committed for an assault	-	-	0	14 4½
Oct. 1.	Two hundred and seventy days maintenance of John Kelly, at 15. 3 <i>d.</i>	-	-	16	17 6
	Cash supplied the said Kelly, as extra allowance, to purchase necessaries in sickness, he having been very ill 118 days	-	-	11	16 0
				68	19 9

JAMAICA, *ff.* Westmorland.

David Finlayson, late deputy-marshal for the parish of Westmorland, in the said island, being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that the above account is just and true, and that no part thereof hath been paid.

D. FINLAYSON.

Sworn before me, this 25th day of Nov. 1794.

SAMUEL BELL.

No.

## No. XXIII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To HUGH FRASER, deputy-marshal and keeper of the gaol of Surrey, Dr.

*For cash advanced for the maintenance of prisoners confined in Kingston gaol for debt, from the 10th February, 1794, to the 20th November, 1794, both days included; viz.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
James Gale Phillips; from 11th Feb. to 20th Nov. 1794, is 283 days, at 1s. 3d.	17	13	9
William Glann, from ditto to 14th October, 240 days	15	7	6
William Anderson, from ditto to 14th May, 93 days	5	16	3
Isaac Mendes Quiros, from ditto to 2d May, 81 days	5	0	0
Jos. Foster Blackmote, from ditto to ditto, 81 days	5	0	0
Jos. Gomes Da Costa, from ditto to 28th February, 18 days	1	2	6
Ann Durrant, from 9th to 15th April, 7 days	0	8	9
William Houghton Tayler, from 18th April to 3d September, 139 days	8	13	9
James Rieley, from 10th June to ditto, 86 days	5	7	6
David Benjamin Roberts, from ditto to ditto, 86 days	5	7	6
Thomas Murgatroyd, from ditto to ditto, 86 days	5	7	6
Elizabeth Duthie, from 21st June to ditto, 76 days	4	15	0
Andrew Perez, from ditto to 20th July, 30 days	1	17	6
Adolp. Gabriel Tiger, from 10th August to 1st November, 84 days	5	5	0
John Black, from 5th to 9th September, 5 days	0	6	3
Salvatore del Castigo, from 21st to 26th June, 6 days	0	7	6
Hector Craig, from 28th September to 20th November, 54 days	3	7	6
Moses Gabay Henriques, from 1st October to ditto, 51 days	3	3	9
Antonio Rom. Bosque, from 8th to 20th November, 13 days	0	16	3
	95	3	9
To cash paid the hire of a horse to carry James Pedden, by virtue of a writ of <i>habeas corpus</i> , from Kingston gaol to Savanna-la-Mar, there to take his trial under a charge of murder	10	0	0
Cash paid James Pedden to bear his travelling expences	2	15	0
	107	18	9

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Hugh Fraser maketh oath and faith, that the annexed account is just and true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

H. FRASER.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of Nov. 1794.

ELIPHALET FITCH.

## No. XXIV.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To WALTER WELCH, deputy-marshal and keeper of the  
gaol for the county of Middlesex, Dr.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Oct. 23. For cash advanced for the support and maintenance of Samuel Price, from the above date to 5th Feb. 1794, 106 days, at 1s.	f		3d.

					<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	3 <i>d.</i>	<i>per diem</i> ,	when he was released by the insolvent act, as				
		<i>per</i>	his receipt	-	6	12	6
Nov.	9.	Ditto of James King, to 5th June, 1794.	is 209 days, at 1 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>				
		<i>per diem</i> ,	when he was released by the insolvent act, as				
		<i>per</i>	his receipts	-	13	1	3
1794,	April 14.	Ditto of Maurice Torres, to 2d October, 172 days, at 1 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>					
		<i>per diem</i> ,	when he was released by the insolvent act, as				
		<i>per</i>	his receipts	-	10	15	0
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					30	8	9

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Walter Welch, late deputy-marshal for the precinct of St. Catherine, &c. &c. being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that the above account is just and true, to the best of this deponent's knowledge and belief, and that the above-mentioned sum of thirty pounds eight shillings and nine pence was advanced by him for the support and maintenance of the prisoners above-mentioned; and further this deponent saith not.

WALTER WELCH.

Sworn before me, this 4th day of Nov. 1794.

W. JACKSON.

## No. XXV.

THE GOVERNMENT PEN,

To ST. CATHERINE'S WORKHOUSE, *Dr.*

					<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Mar.	4.	To 35 negroes, and 4 of Mr. Cooke's, at work, at 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> each,					
		and 2 drivers, at 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	-	-	3	10	0
	5.	To 33 ditto, 4 ditto, 2 ditto	-	-	3	6	8
	6.	To 32 ditto, 4 ditto, 2 ditto	-	-	3	5	0
	7.	To 28 ditto, 3 ditto, 2 ditto	-	-	2	16	8
	8.	To 28 ditto, 3 ditto, 2 ditto	-	-	2	16	8
	9.	To 29 ditto, 3 ditto, 2 ditto	-	-	2	18	4
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					18	13	4

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Nicholas Bartholomew French, overseer of the St. Catherine's workhouse, maketh oath and saith, that the above account is just, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

N. B. FRENCH.

Sworn before me, this 27th day of Nov. 1794.

GEO. CRUICKSHANK.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA, for work done at the government  
pen, per order of his honour Adam Williamson, esquire,

To ST. CATHERINE'S WORKHOUSE, *Dr.*

					<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1794, Jan.	25.	To 27 negroes at work, pulling penguins, at the government					
		pen, at 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> and 2 drivers, at 2 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	-	-	2	10	0
	27.	To 30 ditto, at 1 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> 2 ditto	-	-	2	15	0
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						l.	s.	d.
May	12.	To 34 negroes,	at 1s. 8d.	2 drivers,	at 2s. 6d.	3	1	8
	13.	To 35 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	3	3	4
	14.	To 37 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	3	6	8
	15.	To 36 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	3	5	0
June	2.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	3.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	4.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	5.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	6.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	10.	To 26 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	8	4
	11.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	12.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	13.	To 29 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	13	4
	14.	To 29 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	13	4
	16.	To 28 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	11	8
	17.	To 27 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	10	0
	18.	To 24 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	5	0
	19.	To 27 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	10	0
	20.	To 26 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	8	4
	21.	To 29 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	13	4
	23.	To 24 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	5	0
	24.	To 26 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	2	8	4
	25.	To 20 ditto,	-	2 ditto	-	1	18	4
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						65	8	4

JAMAICA, ff.

Nicholas Bartholomew French, overseer of the St. Catherine's workhouse, maketh oath, that the above account is just, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

N. B. FRENCH.

Sworn before me, this 27th day of Nov. 1794.

GEO. CRUICKSHANK.

## No. XXVI.

A statement of the terms on which messieurs CAMPBELL & M'LEAN undertook the building of the bridge over MAMMEE-RIVER.

Dr.	l.	s.	d.	Cr.	l.	s.	d.				
To blasting the rocks on each side the river, for the foundation of the buttments, equal to	-	8	13	4	By amount granted by the honour- able the assembly	-	900	0	0		
To building the whole of the ma- sons work in the bridge, finding all materials	-	-	99	1	6	8	By subscription from Leonard Wray	-	20	0	0
To filling up on each side of the arch to the height of the road	-	30	0	0	By balance due Campbell & M'Lean	-	110	0	0		

Dugald

Dugald Campbell, of the parish of St. Andrew, mason, being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that the above is a true statement of the account of Campbell & M'Lean, respecting the bridge over Mammee-River, and that there is now justly due and owing to them a balance of one hundred and ten pounds.

DUGALD CAMPBELL.

Sworn before me, 22d day of Nov. 1794.

ROB. DONALDSON.

*Expences in building MAMMEE-BRIDGE.*

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
55 Hogsheds coals, for burning lime, at 30s. and carriage from Kingston, 25s.	151	5	0
To salary of James Newlands, Campbell & Lean's journeyman, 13 months attending the building of the bridge	110	0	0
Blacksmith's account for tools	70	0	0
3 Barrels gunpowder	15	0	0
Mr. Newland's maintenance for 13 months	70	0	0
1423 masons, one day, at 5s. 5d.	385	7	11
5088 Labourers, one day, at 2s. 6d.	636	0	0
156 Horses and mules, with carriages, carrying stones for the arch, at 5s.	39	0	0
	1476	12	11
Deduct the sum agreed on	1030	0	0
	446	12	11

Dugald Campbell, of the parish of St. Andrew, mason, being duly sworn, maketh oath and faith, that the above is a just and true statement of the expences of labour, wages, negro-hire, and materials found, in erecting the bridge over Mammee-River.

DUGALD CAMPBELL.

Sworn before me, this 22d day of Nov. 1794.

D. DUNCOMB.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Amount of monies collected for the bridge	477	17	6
<i>Expended as follows:</i>			
Paid Dallas & Jackson, drawing petition	5	0	0
Re-paid R. Law, so much by him given with petition to the clerk of the assembly	1	6	3
Paid R. Allen for the centre, as per his receipt	237	1	6
Two advertisements	0	10	0
Expences of the jury, clerk of the peace, and constable	23	0	0
Gunpowder, blasting tools, and repairs	21	10	7½
Labour of 1264 negroes for one day, adapting the road to the bridge, at 2s. 11d.	184	6	8
A white man attending as overseer, 52 days, at 7s. 6d.	20	2	6
	492	17	6½

James Concanen, of the parish of St. Andrew, being duly sworn, faith, that the above-written account is just and true.

J. CONCANEN.

Sworn before me, this 25th day of November, 1794.

W. DAGGERS

## No. XXVII.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To THOMAS JENKINS.

				<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1793, Jan.	8.	For wharfage, landing, and storing, the baggage of two companies of the 16th regiment	-	15	0	0
	18.	For ditto of 30 barrels flour and 25 barrels beef, at $7\frac{1}{2}d.$ each	-	1	14	$4\frac{1}{2}$
		For ditto of 3 large chests of arms, 15s.—1 puncheon rum, 2s. 6d.	-	0	17	6
		For ditto of 2 casks of ball-cartridge	-	0	10	0
		For expences of a horse, cart, and negroes conveying the same to the barracks	-	5	0	0
Mar.	6.	For wharfage and landing 40 barrels flour, 1 puncheon rum	-	1	7	6
		For ditto of 1 tierce and 2 boxes	-	0	3	9
	19.	For ditto of 25 barrels pork	-	0	15	$7\frac{1}{2}$
Apr.	7.	For ditto of 10 barrels flour	-	0	6	3
June	17.	For ditto of 1 puncheon of rum	-	0	2	6
Aug.	23.	For ditto and shipping the baggage of two companies of the 16th regiment, and assisting in bringing down	-	15	0	0
		For hire of two able negroes as pioneers, for 7 months and 15 days, at 25 <i>l.</i> per annum each	-	31	5	0
				72	2	6

I verily believe the above account to be just and true, and far short of what Mr. Jenkins is entitled to, for his uncommon care, attention, &c.

WM. BOLT, one of the commissioners, &amp;c.

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me, William Bolt, esquire, one of his majesty's justices assigned to keep the peace in and for the parish of St. Ann, Thomas Jenkins, of the said parish, and made oath, that the above sum of seventy-two pounds two shillings and six pence is justly due and owing to him.

THOMAS JENKINS.

Sworn before me, this 25th day of Nov. 1793.

WM. BOLT.

## No. XXVIII.

The examination of ROBERT KERR, esquire, taken in the most solemn manner, in reply to questions propounded by the committee on all such matters as relate to the expenditure of the monies granted for the building of barracks at GREAT-RIVER.

1st Q. Did you enter into any and what contracts with the commissioners for building barracks at Great-River?

A. I did, together with George Kerr (my partner), enter into a contract with the commissioners for building barracks at Great-River, for building all the mason-work, and finding all materials, agreeable to an estimate delivered in by me and my said partner, marked No. 1 (a copy whereof is hereunto annexed), in consequence of an advertisement for that purpose; and gave bond for the faithful performance of the same, with security to the amount



of 20,000*l.* for the mason-work: And I also entered into another contract with the said commissioners, for finding the timber and other materials, marked *No. 2* (a copy whereof is also hereunto annexed), and doing the carpenter and joiners work, iron-work, and plumber-work, necessary for the buildings; and entered into another security-bond in 20,000*l.* for the due performance of it.

2d Q. Have you received any and what sums of money on account of such contracts?

A. I received 3007*l.* on account of the mason-work, and 3000*l.* to enable me to provide timber, and go on with the carpenter-work.

3d Q. In what manner have those different sums been applied?

A. In different ways. The labour done in clearing the ground, opening a quarry for quarrying stones, burning lime, making a road to convey it at a distance nearly two miles, and building a part of the foundation of the soldiers barracks, of which there is about 500 perches built, and materials prepared and laid down equal to build 1500 perches more, and stones quarried and lime burnt, which is equal to the building about 1500 perches more; also for engagements made for timber, purchasing negroes and cattle to enable me to carry on the buildings, importing some articles of iron-work, &c. as well as provisions, which came out agreeable to such orders; and also bringing over tradesmen from Britain to do the work of those buildings; making different plans and estimates was also a tedious business. We were also obliged to repair the old barracks, to purchase boards, and do a good deal of labour for fitting them up for the reception of our white tradesmen, with other expences for furniture, &c. for their accommodation.

4th Q. Where are your vouchers to shew the application?

A. It is hardly possible for me to produce vouchers, otherwise than by referring to what I have said in answer to the last question, except as to mason-work and materials collected on the spot, as *per* voucher annexed, marked *No. 3*.

5th Q. What is the amount of the losses you have suffered, in consequence of the erecting of the barracks at Great-River having been discontinued; and in what manner have such losses been incurred?

A. It is not possible for me to ascertain the real sum that we may lose; but as we had bought many negroes, both tradesmen and others, in addition to our former gang, to enable us to complete the work in the time specified in the contract, meaning to carry on the business by our own people, all of whom were fed from my own provision-grounds, which were prepared for the job, and had the business gone on we should by this time have had mason-work done to the amount of 10 or 12,000*l.* exclusive of what must have been done in the carpenter way. The value of hard-timbers, &c. which timbers I was mostly to have got off my own lands: And if we are allowed to calculate our losses by the profits and advantages we expected from the contract, the sum must be considerable.

The serious part of our loss is, that we have given up the business we used to do for our old customers, and have refused the mason-work of many buildings which we were applied to to undertake, to a sum not less than the whole amount of the mason-work of the barracks; and then threw ourselves out of the way of being employed, and the business went into other hands; which may prove a loss much beyond what I would wish to state, from the great capital we have in that line, our purchases made in consequence of our engagements with the public: And though we have received 6000*l.* and may not actually be able to shew labour for that sum, I think myself safe in saying, as we now stand, under the circumstances of the work being discontinued, losing our business, and disappointing and giving up our best employers, that 4000*l.* more would not be an adequate recompense. The gentlemen who applied to us to do work for them, and to whom, among others, I allude in answer to this question, were, Richard Brillett, esquire, for whom we had just finished a set of works, and who requested us to go on with other buildings for him, to a large amount; William Hudson, esquire; Messrs. Hudson and M'Kenzie, of Hanover; Dugald Campbell,

bell, of Hanover, esquire; William Fyfe, of Westmorland, esquire; and Malcolm Beveridge, of Trelawny, esquire, on behalf of James M'Ghie, esquire, whose application was to build a complete set of works, with a stone gutter and water-mill. Those jobs, besides others of less consequence, we were obliged to decline undertaking in consequence of our engagements for the barracks.

ROB. KERR.

*Sworn before me, this 4th Dec. 1794.*

W. JACKSON.

No. I.

*Estimate of the expence of erecting barracks at the old barracks at Great-River, in the parish of Hanover, for the accommodation of a regiment of soldiers; viz.*

Building the walls of the mens barracks, finding all materials, including all cut stone, but the steps of the stairs, lodging and boarding for white people and negroes, containing 4520 perches, at 25s. per perch, as per agreement	£.	5650
Building a flight of steps for ditto, may be about	50	£.
Plastering, about	300	6000
Building the walls of the kitchens and wash-houses, at 25s. per perch, including chimnies, plastering, &c.		1850
Building the walls of the necessaries, at 25s. per perch		320
Building the walls of the store-house, about 750 perches, at 25s. per perch		937
Building the walls of the hospital, containing about 600 perches, at 25s. per perch	750	
Building chimnies and plastering in ditto, may be about	150	900
Building the walls of the officers barracks agreeable to the plan and elevation delivered herewith, containing 3000 perches, at 25s. per perch	3750	
Building steps, and plastering, about	300	4050
Building the walls of the officers kitchen and horse-stable, about 600 perches, at 25s.	750	
Building chimnies, and plastering, about	100	850
Building the walls of the officers necessary, including plastering, &c. about		140
Building the walls of the commanding officer's house, as per plan and elevation, about 1150 perches, at 25s. per perch	1438	
Building stairs, and plastering ditto, about	300	1738
Building the walls of the commanding officer's kitchen, horse-stable, and necessary, about 400 perches, at 25s. per perch		500
Chimnies, plastering, &c. for ditto, about		100
Building the walls of the guard-house, as per plan and elevation, containing about 240 perches, at 25s. per perch	300	
Plastering, &c. about	50	350
Building the walls of the powder magazine, as per plan and elevation, arching and terracing, about		300
Digging the foundations of all the above buildings, at the rate of 2s. 6d. per solid yard, will amount to about		500
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ROB. & GEO. KERR.

## No. 2.

*Estimate of the expence of the carpenter-work and materials for a set of barracks to be built at  
Great-River, in the parish of Hanover; viz.*

## MENS BARRACKS.

<i>feet</i>			£.	£.	£.
39,000	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-	1170	
	Carriage of ditto	-	-	195	1365
140,000	Soft timber, boards, and plank, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-	1960	
	Carriage of ditto	-	-	490	2450
90,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-	270	
	Carriage of ditto	-	-	90	360
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage of ditto	-	-		500
	Amount of workmanship, about	-	-		4000—8675

## KITCHENS AND WASH-HOUSES.

3500	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		105
16,000	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-		224
30,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-		90
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage of all materials	-	-		120
	Amount of workmanship	-	-		400—939

## NECESSARIES.

1000	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		30
5000	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-		70
9000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		27
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-		50
	Amount of workmanship	-	-		120—297

## HOSPITAL.

3000	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		90
13,000	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-		182
12,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-		36
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-		100
	Amount of workmanship	-	-		300—608

## STORE-HOUSE.

2000	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		60
22,000	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-		308
12,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-		36
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-		160
	Amount of workmanship	-	-		400—964

## OFFICERS BARRACKS.

8000	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		240
108,000	Soft ditto and boards, &c. at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-		1512
60,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-		180
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage of all materials	-	-		560
	Amount of workmanship	-	-		1800—4292

## KITCHEN AND HORSE-STABLE.

	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-		
12,000	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-		168
20,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-		60
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-		60
	Amount of workmanship	-	-		200—488

NECESSARIES.



## NECESSARIES.

<i>feet</i>						£.	£.
700	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-	-	-	21	
2500	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	35	
5000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	15	
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-	-	-	50	
	Amount of workmanship	-	-	-	-	60	18 <i>l.</i>

## COMMANDANT'S HOUSE.

4000	Hard timber, at 30 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-	-	-	120	
50,000	Soft ditto and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	700	
60,000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	180	
	Lead, nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-	-	-	500	
	Amount of workmanship	-	-	-	-	1400	2900

## KITCHEN AND HORSE-STABLE.

4000	Scantling and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-	-	-	56	
8000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	24	
	Nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-	-	-	80	
	Amount of workmanship	-	-	-	-	70	230

## NECESSARY.

2000	Scantling and boards, at 14 <i>l.</i> per M.	-	-	-	-	28	
2000	Shingles, at 3 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	6	
	Nails, locks, hinges, and carriage	-	-	-	-	20	
	Amount of workmanship	-	-	-	-	30	84

## GUARD-HOUSE.

6000	Scantling and boards, 84 <i>l.</i> —7000 Shingles, 21 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	105	
	Nails, locks, &c. 100 <i>l.</i> —Workmanship, 140 <i>l.</i>	-	-	-	-	240	345

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ROB. KERR.

No. 3.

GREAT-RIVER BARRACKS,

To ROBERT &amp; GEO. KERR, Dr.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1794.			
To building 7449 feet, or 465 perches of mason work, in the foundation of the soldiers barracks, per agreement with the commissioners, at 25 <i>s.</i> per perch	581	5	0
To laying materials down at the buildings, consisting of stones and mortar sufficient to build 1500 perches of mason-work, at 15 <i>s.</i> per perch	1125	0	0
To materials, consisting of stones in the quarry and lime in the kiln, sufficient to build 1200 perches of mason-work, at 10 <i>s.</i> per perch	600	0	0
To negro labour, clearing a large surface of turf and marl to come at a good quarry, supposed sufficient for the whole building, the proportion to the above will be	60	0	0
To negro labour, digging the foundations of the soldiers barracks, proportion to the buildings to be erected, $\frac{2}{3}$ of 280 <i>l.</i>	186	13	4
To other articles of preparation for household matters, &c. about	110	0	0
	2662	18	4

JAMAICA, *Jf.*

I, James Dickson, mason, foreman to messieurs Robert and George Kerr in conducting the building of the new barracks on Great-River, do swear, that there is actually built, in  
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the foundation of the soldiers barracks, four hundred and sixty-five perches of mason-work, and that there are stones and mo'lar on the spot sufficient to build fifteen hundred perches more; and that there are, to the best of my belief and judgment, stones quarried, and lime in the kiln, sufficient to build twelve hundred perches more; and that the three last charges in the adjoining account I conceive to be nearly proportionable to the buildings done and proposed to be done: And that I, the said James Dickson, have been in the habit of being engaged in large jobs of mason-work for many years, and conceive myself a competent judge of the aforesaid prices which are above set forth.—*So help me God.*

JAMES DICKSON.

*Sworn before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1704.*

WM. DUNCAN.

## No. XXIX.

THE commissioners appointed to build barracks at Montego-Bay, in addition to the information laid before the honourable house in the sessions of last year, beg leave to transmit to the honourable house, a general statement of the expenditure of the sums voted for that purpose.

They think it necessary to report also the causes of the expenditure being so great:

That two entire sets of barracks were built, the one temporary, for the reception of the 16th regiment immediately on its landing; the other permanent, for the accommodation of the companies designed to be constantly stationed there:

That the making a road, and a parade, and transporting the materials to the spot, occasioned considerable expence; and the sickly state of said regiment, and the great number of women and children attached thereto, occasioned many extraordinary disbursements, without which many more would have perished:

That the commissioners for building barracks at Great-River, not having called for such parts of the temporary barracks at Montego-Bay as had not been used in constructing the permanent barracks, and the same being liable to pillage, and falling into decay, your commissioners acquiesced in an application of the vestry of St. James, made to them at the alarming and distressing period when the late fatal contagion prevailed, to appropriate part of such materials towards erecting a marine hospital, for the reception of sick seamen of his majesty's navy, and of the trade of the island; under an agreement, however, that the said parish should be responsible for the value of such materials, if the honourable house did not approve of such appropriation:

That the said barracks have ample convenience for four companies of soldiers, and ten officers; and, if a separate house was erected for accommodating the officers apart, would contain the whole soldiers of a regiment, having an hospital, excellent stores and kitchens, and other necessary buildings; a fence only being wanted, the temporary one erected by order of the commissioners having been destroyed.

I. L. WINN, *one of the commissioners for permanent barracks at Montego-Bay.*

## No. XXX.

*Account of orders drawn on the receiver-general, for WATER supplied the 16th regiment, and the hire of PIONEERS for said regiment.*

						<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
No.	1.	Samuel Gayner, for supplying water	-	-	-	167	10	10
	2.	William Duncan, ditto	-	-	-	92	0	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
	3.	Ditto ditto	-	-	-	64	0	9
	4.	Ditto ditto	-	-	-	75	7	4
	5.	Ditto ditto	-	-	-	64	7	4
	6.	Samuel Sharp, for hire of workhouse negroes	-	-	-	149	13	4
	7.	James Forrest, pioneers	-	-	-	38	2	6
	8.	S. Gedelia, ditto	-	-	-	8	18	0
	9.	F. Saunders, ditto	-	-	-	18	5	0
	10.	Alex. Watt, ditto	-	-	-	34	0	0
	11.	Ditto, ditto	-	-	-	12	0	0
	12.	Ditto, ditto	-	-	-	10	16	0
	13.	E. Buchanan, ditto	-	-	-	25	6	3
	14.	J. Ewing, ditto	-	-	-	6	0	0
	15.	Wm. Ewing, ditto	-	-	-	8	7	6
	16.	E. Reneau, ditto	-	-	-	25	17	6
	17.	F. Sanders, ditto	-	-	-	20	11	3
	18.	S. Saunders, ditto	-	-	-	8	2	6
	19.	Robt. Warren, ditto	-	-	-	7	10	0
	20.	E. Hester, ditto	-	-	-	28	9	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	21.	L. Fletchall, ditto	-	-	-	43	7	6
	22.	R. Baldy, ditto	-	-	-	7	11	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
	23.	Rd. Hill, ditto	-	-	-	26	14	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	24.	G. Mead, ditto	-	-	-	73	3	9
	25.	C. Scrimgeour, ditto	-	-	-	11	5	0
	26.	James Forrest, ditto	-	-	-	18	12	6
	27.	M <sup>r</sup> L. Gillies, ditto	-	-	-	55	7	6
	28.	D. Campbell, ditto	-	-	-	28	2	6
	29.	James Forrest, ditto	-	-	-	36	0	0
	30.	Alex. Watt, ditto	-	-	-	8	11	0
	31.	Charles Hanson, vouchers annexed	-	-	-	5	10	0
	32.	James Forrest, pioneers	-	-	-	7	12	6
						1187	4	1



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THE commissioners appointed by the board of forts and fortifications, to carry into execution the plan approved of by them for the fort at Montego-Bay, do report,

That, in consequence of the injunction of the honourable board, they took the earliest measures to carry into effect so much of the plan proposed by the honourable board as the small sum voted by the house of assembly enabled them to do :

That they caused a strict examination to be made of the state of the batteries, guns, carriages, implements, shot, &c. and had the mortification to find that the old fort was entirely in ruins :

That the cannons were so honey-combed, and the touch-holes so enlarged by rust, as to be totally unfit for service :

That all the carriages were absolutely rotten and irreparable, except two (some parts of which being found were repaired), and that almost all the shot had been stolen, and the rammers, sponges, worms, ladles, horns, &c. become useless, for want of a store to keep them in : In this state of the business, your commissioners received intimation from the commander in chief, stating that he had particular reasons for urging the commissioners to use every exertion to put the batteries into the best possible state of defence, so as to afford protection to the shipping and to the town, and advising, that he had ordered four heavy cannon for the said batteries, in addition to those already there :

That, at that juncture, there were collected in Montego-Bay an unusual number of large valuable ships, laden with cargoes to a very great amount ; all of which were so destitute of defence, that a very small force might have destroyed them and the town :

That the four heavy cannon, ordered by the commander in chief, were still in Kingston, and no vessel could be found to bring them round ; the common droppers having no tackles, and scarce any of them masts sufficient to hoist them in, and no larger ships coming round :

That, thus circumstanced, the fort in ruins, the cannon unserviceable and dismounted (no means of those in Kingston being got round), the carriages rotten, the shot stolen, and the implements decayed, your commissioners, urged by the pressure of the occasion, and finding the sum of one thousand pounds, granted by the honourable house of assembly, inadequate to the objects, many of them unexpectedly to be effected, were under the necessity of pledging their own credit for the purchase of cannon, carriages, shot, and implements, to the amount of five hundred and ninety-five pounds thirteen shillings and ten pence three farthings.

That, considering the honourable house of assembly may be desirous of having the cannon and other moveable articles, so purchased on the credit of your commissioners and placed in the fort, preserved for the public use, they have drawn on the honourable board for the amount aforesaid, in favour of those from whom they purchased them ; and they pray the honourable board to lay the same before the honourable house of assembly, for their consideration :

That one of your commissioners having been absent from the island, the accounts, although timeously transmitted by the other commissioner, could not regularly come before the honourable board ; and, until they shall have received the sanction thereof, cannot be liquidated by orders on the receiver-general ; whereby the persons from whom the articles were purchased, at the rates of prompt payment, have been kept out of their monies :

That, in order to expedite the work, and apply the sum granted by the honourable house to the greatest advantage therein, your commissioners had given constant personal attention thereto, and in every article used the most scrupulous economy ; by which means, and by pledging their own credit, and, in many cases, paying down cash weekly for labour, and  
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where the poverty of persons would not admit of their lying out of their money; by which means they constructed the works, mounted the cannon, procured shot and every necessary furniture, completed the store and barracks in such time, and with such economy, as the exigency of the occasion and the narrowness of their fund rendered indispensable; but which they conceive can hardly be paralleled in this country, as to expedition and frugality:

Your commissioners think it their duty to report, that, to make the said fort a permanent work, such part of the front of the rampart as is not already faced with stone, should be completed in the same manner as the eastern part, which is so faced:

That earth having been wanted to fill up the merlons, which was not to be collected on the surface without much labour and expence, and there being no water in the fort, your commissioners ordered a well to be sunk, by which, at a less expence, they procured earth for the merlons, and a constant supply of fresh water for the use of the fort, quenching fires, &c. and the well is stoned up to the surface; but a house, to cover and prevent its filling up, is necessary, as also a machine to draw up the water:

That the situation of the fort is such as to command the whole anchorage of the bay, and defend the shipping at anchor, and the seaward front of the town; but there being a tranquil bay to the northward of the fort, in a low level shore, where forces might easily be landed to surprise the fort, your commissioners think it proper to mention, that, between the fort and the said bay, there is a situation, extremely strong by nature, where a very small force could give check to a very great one, an abrupt promontory jutting out towards the sea, between which and the precipice that overhangs the waves is little more than the breadth of the road, and forms a pass that, with a little assistance from art, might be made a perfect Thermopylæ; a wall and a gate, flanked by a small work that might be built, would render the fort safe, and might be the means of saving the town and all the shipping in the bay; which could not but be in imminent hazard, if an enemy were to seize the fort.

I. L. WINN,

S. VAUGHAN jun.

*Expenses incurred in building and fortifying FORT-MONTEGO, at Montego-Bay, 1793.*

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
No. 1.	Frazer, Dunbar, & Co. for iron-work	46	11	0
2.	St. James's workhouse, negro labour	26	8	1½
3.	A. & C. Hamilton, mahogany for gun-carriages	77	6	4
4.	John Virliog, cordage, &c.	7	3	0
5.	John Stevens, carriage of lumber	4	0	0
6.	Thomas Murray, making nine gun-carriages	120	17	6
7.	M <sup>r</sup> . L. Gillies, lumber	151	11	4½
8.	Nicholas Dawes, mason-work	68	12	6
9.	Finchett & King, iron-work for six gun-carriages	66	2	1
10.	Morton & Co. timber, &c.	25	5	2½
11.	John Ingra n & Co. ditto	24	9	0
12.	William Melvin, carpenters work in the making merlons, &c.	65	8	9
13.	James Thompson, painting gun-carriages, &c.	31	0	0
14.	James Smart, freight of guns, &c. from Kingston	65	10	0
15.	Joseph Ifaney, wharfage of ditto	8	13	9
16.	Donald Campbell, negro labour and sundries	25	8	9
17.	William Jolly, iron-work	33	5	0
18.	Walter Aitkin, five 12-pounders	110	3	7
19.	Gillatly & Jones, handspikes, &c.	12	15	0
20.	Finchett & King, iron-work for five gun-carriages	56	13	0
21.	Thomas Murray, gun-carriages, &c.	123	15	10
22.	Finchett & King, iron-work for two gun-carriages	25	4	0
23.	Thomas Murray, repairing gun-carriages, &c.	21	0	0
24.	Robert Reaburn, for the removal of guns	20	0	0
25.	Nicholas Dawes, mason-work	154	17	6
26.	William Melvin, carpenters work for platforms for eight guns	8	0	0
27.	Richard Hill, one 12-pounder	30	0	0
28.	George Leslie, carriage of guns	27	10	0
29.	Commissioners, hire of negro-labour	157	17	7½

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	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Cost of cannon purchased	140	3	7
Freight and removal of cannon, &c.	121	13	9
Expence of gun-carriages, making and timber, &c. is	373	19	8
Iron-work	227	15	1—601
Lumber and carpenters work for merlons, guard-room, ordnance-store, &c.	274	14	3½
Mason-work for ramparts, merlons, platforms, and guard-room	223	10	0
Negro-labour and sundries	233	17	6

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for repairing the road from Hope estate to the Botanic Garden	400

for ditto from the Botanic Garden, down Fall-River, to Croafdaile's	400
for ditto from Croafdaile's, through Hated's, to Dr. Teller's	400
for ditto from Hately's tavern to Johnston's Gutt	400
for ditto from Eolus old works to Peterfield sugar-canes	200
towards completing the road from the mouth of Swift-River to Mr. Woolfrys's mountain	800
towards ditto from Buff-Bay river to Silver-Hill	200
for repairing the road from Stanton-River to Clark's River Run	100
for making a road from Bybrook to Bachelor's Hall	200
for repairing the road from Tom's River to Aguaka's Dam	500
towards completing the road from Buff-Bay, through St. Andrew's, to Kingston	300
towards ditto from Thomas's grafts-piece to Coldspring-Hill	300
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for repairing the road from Guy's Hill, through Wallen's, New-Works, &c. towards Spanish-Town	150
for completing the road from Dears's mountain to Sadler's, leading from St. Mary's to Kingston	200
for repairing the road from Williamsfield Dam to the boundary-line of St. Mary's	450
for completing the road from Brownrigg's penna to Symphon's gate, through Kelly's penna	500
for ditto from Symphon's gate to the east gate of Hull's penna	300
for ditto from the east gate of Hull's penna to the intersection of the road from Dry-Harbour to Clarendon.	400
for repairing the road from Spanish-Town bridge, over the mountains, to St. Thomas in the Vale	150
for ditto from Spanish-Town to Guanaboa	150
towards completing a road from Cave-River-Barrack through Bay-Hole	500
for making the road from the lower part of Vere, through Harris's Savanna, to Hayes's Savanna	300
for repairing the road from Milk-River, over Howden-Hill	300
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towards ditto from Lucea to Glasgow estate	600

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